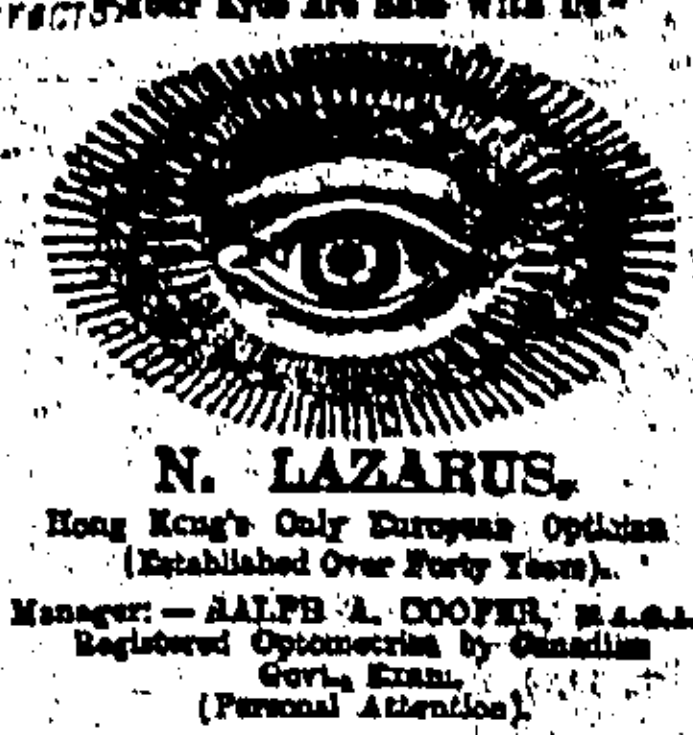


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| 1 Pt. D.O.M.   | 2 Qt. St. Julien Claret.          |
| 1 Qt. Burgoyne's Burgundy.                             | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
| 1 Qt. Martell's XXX Brandy.                            | 1 Qt. Vio de Paste Sherry.        |
| 2 Qts. King George IV Gold Label or Perfection Whisky. | 1 Phial Pomeranzen Bitters.       |

## No. 3 HAMPER—\$30.

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| 1 Pt. Peppermint C.F.F.                                | 1 Qt. Amontillado Sherry.         |
| 1 Pt. D.O.M.   | 1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin. |
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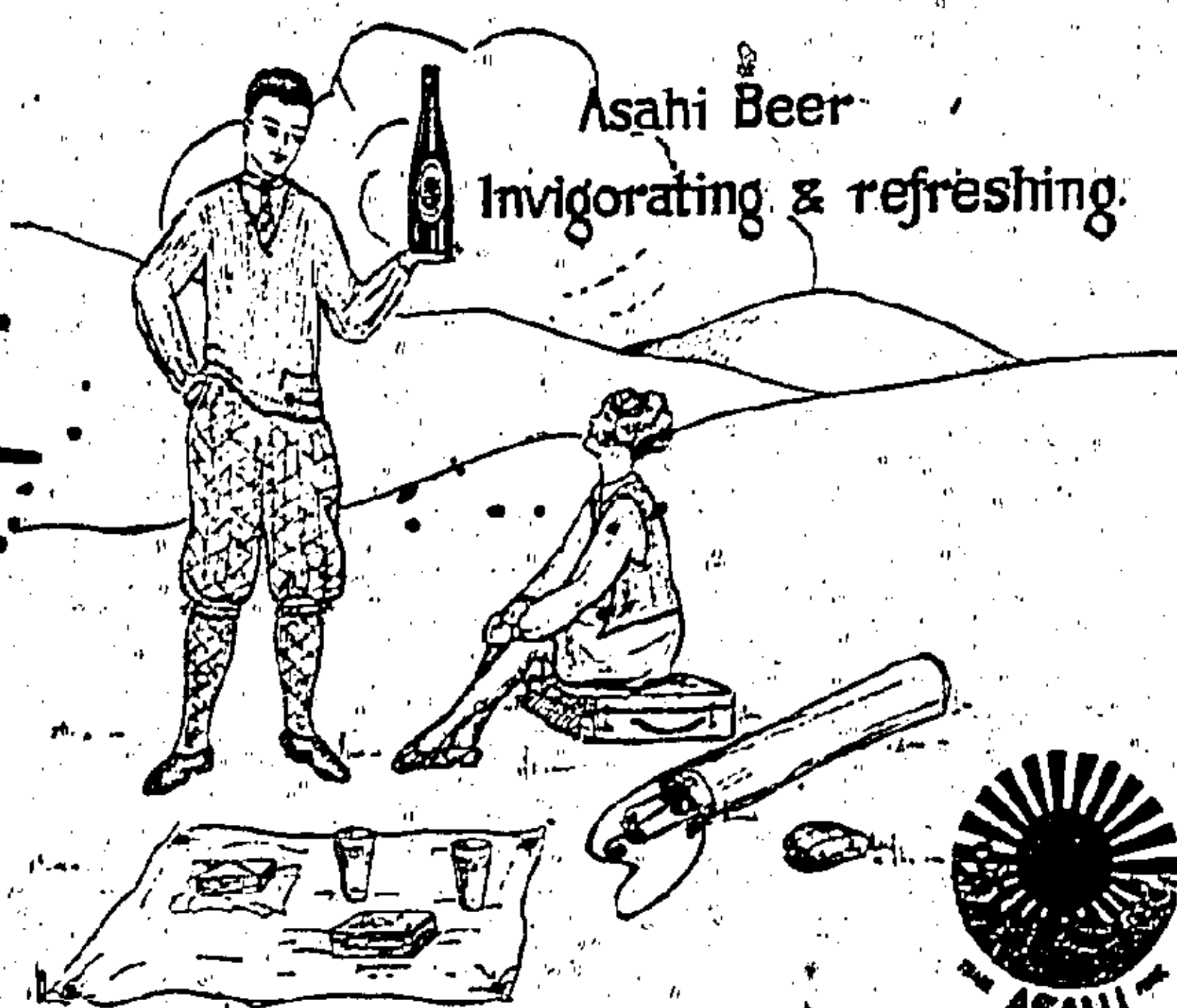
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## Money and Markets

## HONG KONG MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations in the local market for rice, sugar and other foodstuffs yesterday were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Blue Bag White Long Rice	\$7.49
Green Seal White Rice	8.53
Green Lion White Long Rice	7.09
White Long Rice	6.79
White Rice Brand	3.18
Green Bat White Long Rice	7.08
Red Seal No. 2 White Broken Rice	5.10
Red Pearl New White Rice	7.98
Green Pearl New White Rice	7.88
Red Kim Chin New White Rice	9.02
Red Pearl White Brewer Rice	6.52
Black Seal Old White Rice	9.40
Green Seal Old Broken White Rice	6.60
Red Seal No. 1 Old White Broken Rice	3.97
Blue Seal White Glutinous Brewer Rice	6.17
Red Seal No. 1 Glutinous Rice	6.11
Red Seal White Rice Brand	3.03
Red Mok Kan, White Long Rice	7.98
Black Mok Kan, Old White Long Rice	8.60
Black Dragon New White Long Rice	7.98
Black Fan New White Glutinous Rice	7.13
Green Peacock White Rice	8.02
Green Seal White Broken Rice	6.53
Blue Ship Old White Rice	9.39

Sugar. Per Picul.

No. 24 coarse powdered sugar \$7.50.

Miscellaneous.

Wood Oil, \$30.80 per picul.  
Red Melon Seeds, \$27.00 per picul.  
Black Beans, \$7.00 per picul.  
Green Beans, \$6.20.

## CANTON MARKET REPORTS.

Quotations for Sunday's Canton market, for rice, sugar, flour and oil were as follows:—

Rice.	Per Picul.
Chai Mee White Long Rice	\$11.45
Cha Chim Native Rice	10.35
See Mui White Long Rice	10.50
Sui Yuk Native White Long Rice	8.10
Green Seal White Long Rice	7.80
Black Seal White Long Rice	7.84
Green Seal White Long Rice	8.37
Red Seal White Rice	6.38
Green B White Brewer Rice	6.25
Blue Seal White Brewer Rice	6.31
Black Seal White Broken Rice	5.49
Blue Seal White Broken Rice	5.57

Sugar. Per Picul.

No. 2 coarse powdered sugar \$ 8.00  
No. 3 coarse powdered sugar 7.50  
No. 20 coarse powdered sugar 7.80  
No. 1 granulated sugar 9.40  
No. 1 fine granulated sugar 10.20  
Refined sugar 8.40  
Wai Chow native white sugar 9.40  
Spring native candy 10.11

Flour. Per Bag.

Man-of-War \$4.00  
Silver Seal 4.15  
Banana 4.10  
Cheung Luk 4.15  
Maize 4.25  
Sword of Kwantai 4.25  
Cannon 4.45  
Cabbage 4.50  
Dalton 4.50  
Dog's Head 4.15

Oil. Per Picul.

Groundnut Oil: \$23.50  
Hunan Best Quality 22.70  
Tientsin Best Quality 27.00  
Dairen Best Quality 25.40  
Chifu Best Quality 25.00  
Fang Chi Oil 25.00  
Tung Wo Oil 25.10  
Kwaagsi Wood Oil 27.30

## CANTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

## LATEST QUOTATIONS.

December 28th.

Water Works	\$2.60
Electric Power Co.	4.80
Canton-Hankow Railways	4.80
The Sun Company	4.80
Sincere Company	4.40
Nanyang Bros. Tob. Co.	4.00
Canton Tramways	2.00
China Merchant S.S. Navigation Company	6.50
Central Bank	4.60

## CANTON KEROSENE OIL.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

December 28th.

New Star	\$7.65
New Balance	7.45
New Hang Fook	7.20
New Eagle	7.10
New Sheung Hee	7.30

## THE SHOE LEATHER TRADE.

## RISE IN LOCAL PRICES.

Hong Kong is a big distributing centre for leather, consignments being transhipped to North and South China Ports and the volume of business done in a year amounting to \$2,000,000. Leather for shoe making is chiefly imported from Sydney, United States and Germany. Recently, business has recovered from the slump brought about by the general strike at 1925. Prices have risen during the last six months with the result that business has dropped a little and no large transaction has been recorded.

According to a well-known leather merchant the present condition of the market is a little dull, but this is causing no loss to the dealers, because stocks bought in before the prices rose are now selling at the increased rate. The total exports of leather from the Colony reached \$1,800,000 during the past year.

Two kinds of leather are chiefly imported, sole and upper. The former comes in the main from Sydney, and is generally divided into three grades, while the latter comes from United States and Germany. This also falls into three grades, the first being glazed kid leather.

The present market price for 100 lbs. of sole leather is quoted at \$110, while two years ago it was only \$80. Quotations for upper leather are from \$85 to \$90 per 100 lbs.

## CANTON COTTON YARN MARKET.

A telegram from Shanghai received on Saturday stated that the cotton yarn market is still firm. In Canton the commodity is scarce and quotations increased by 2¢ a bale.

Quotations for cotton yarn in Saturday's market were as follows:—

No.	Per Bale.
No. 42 Five Sons	\$550
Butterfly	522
Fui Kee	518
No. 32 Pine Deer	468
Tin Koon	458
Double Horse	448
No. 20 City of Gold	324
Globe	319
Good Harvest	318
Tin Koon	318
Double Horse	310
Double Elephant	319
Tramcar	307
Man Clock	318
Shepherd	308
Three Stars	308
Fui Kwal	318
No. 18 Globe	236
Fui Kwal	236
No. 12 City of Gold	238
Peacock	238
Fui Kwal	238
Tramcar	273
Pretty Damsel	285
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	262
Peacock	284
City of Gold	280
Lotus Bee	254
No. 6 Lion	212
Hut How	208

## INDUSTRIAL &amp; COMMERCIAL BANK.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

The twelfth annual meeting of the Industrial & Commercial Bank, Ltd., was called to order at the appointed hour on the 12th instant by the Chairman, Mr. Wong Ngai Tong, at the head office of the Bank.

Messrs. T. T. Cheng, Sun For, Leung Yan Po, Wong Joy Yee, Lee Sze Yuen, and P. Gockchin, the retiring Directors, were unanimously re-elected. The auditors of the Bank, Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, were also re-elected.

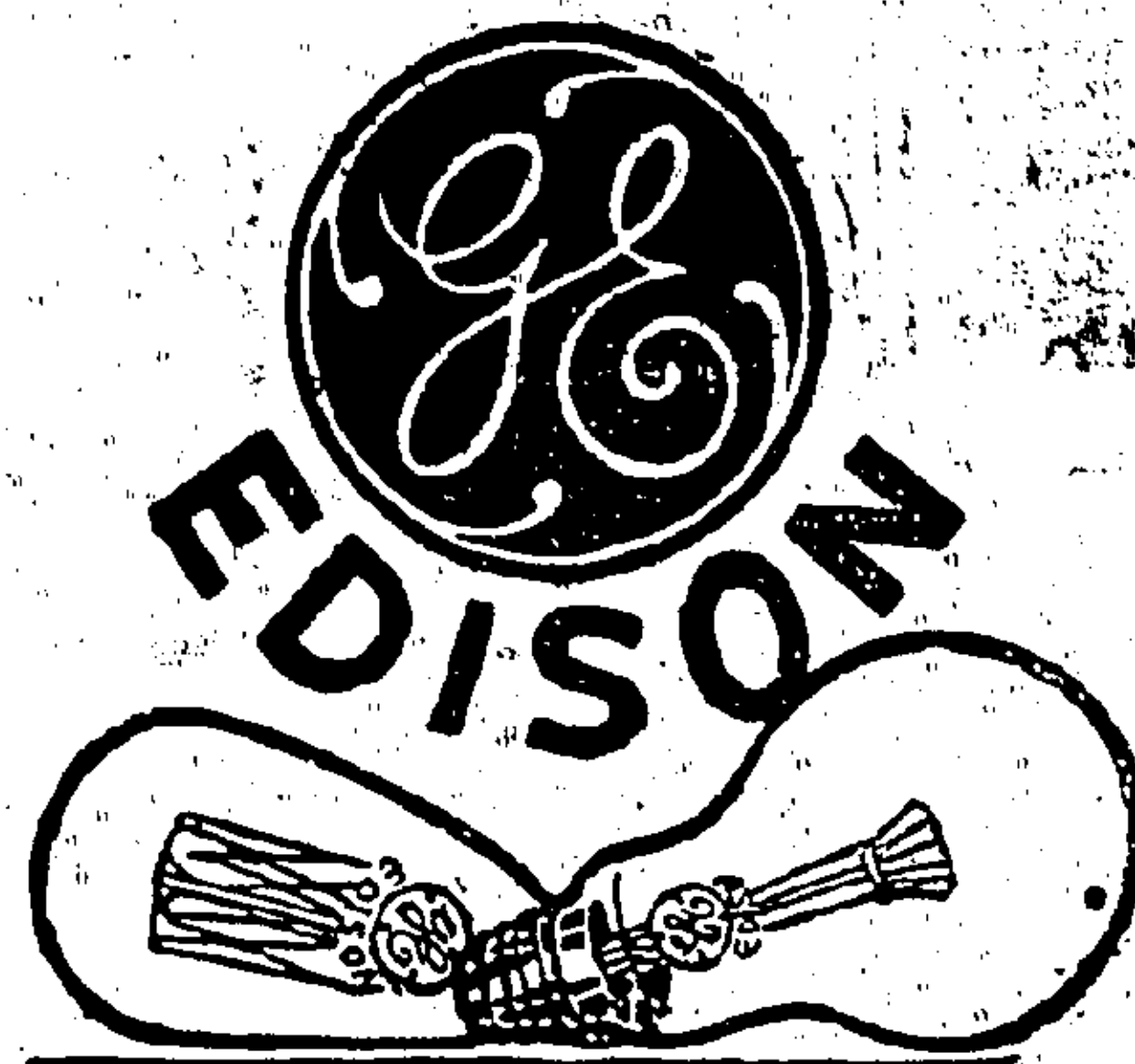
## EXCHANGE.

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

H.K. Banks	\$1.310 buy, 1.321 sel.
Do. London	214 1/2 nom.
Chartered Banks	222 buy.
Mercantile Banks, & C.	234 nom.
Do. C.	214 1/2 nom.
P. & O. Banks	229 nom.
East Asia Banks	224 nom.
Canton Insurance	\$235 buy, 235 sel.
Union Insurance	\$367 buy, 370 sel.
North China Ins.	Tls. 160 buy.
Yangtze Insurance	M. \$50 nom.
China Underwriters	\$2.40 sel.
China Fire Insurance	\$280 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$780 nom.
Donghai	\$239 nom.
H.K. Steamboats	\$220 buy, 221 sel.
Indo-China (Fr.)	\$1.10 buy.
Do. (Del.)	\$724 buy.
Shell Transport	\$118 nom.
Union Waterboats	\$22.10 buy.
Benguet	\$24 nom.
Kailan Mining Admin.	170 buy.
Laplace (combined)	Tls. 101 nom.
Do. (single)	Tls. 23 nom.
S'ian. Explorations	Tls. 2.83 nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 3 buy.
Ranba	\$34 buy.
Tromch Mines	\$17.6 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	\$124 sel.
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China Provident	\$2.15 buy.

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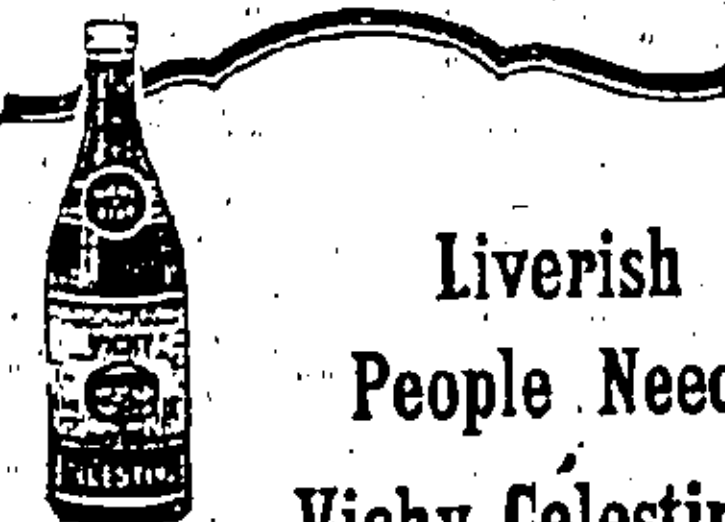
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The meeting was held at the registered offices of the Company, and was presided over by Mr. R. G. Shewan (Chairman).

Speaking at the meeting Mr. Shewan said:—  
The profit on Working Account, \$30,331.15, is practically the same as that for last year, although I am pleased to say we supplied 10.2 per cent. more units for lighting and 12.4 per cent. more for power than in the previous year. But this increase has been offset in the present year by our having to charge Working Account with over \$3,500, part of the salary and expenses of a temporary substitute for Mr. Mavor, our Manager and Resident Engineer, while he was on leave, and with about \$1,750 for the renewal of the steel chimney, which should now be good for some years at least.

After charging Consulting Committee's and Auditors' fees, providing for depreciation amounting to \$32,534.64, and putting \$2,468.92 to Sinking Fund for replacing the cost of our concession, there remains, after crediting interest \$704.10, a balance at debit of Profits and Loss of \$3,639.54, transferred to General Profit and Loss Account, as per balance sheet. Depreciation makes a big hole in our profits, but, as I said last year, it is sound policy to be on the safe side in this respect.

Concession and Electric Cooking.

I am pleased to say that the agreement with the Government of British North Borneo for an extension of ten years to our Concession has been approved by the Board of Governors at Home. We have also made an agreement with the Government to supply power to its new pumping station, and our high tension line has been taken to that point. The work was not completed till after the close of our financial year, but it is now in operation; several outside connections have been made, and further applications continue to come in. We feel sure that this extension to our mains will be fully justified when all is at work. For the result from the extension to Batu Lima we must wait till next year.

Electric cooking is slowly gaining favour, and the matter of water heating on the thermal storage system is under consideration.

I very much regret to report that the anticipated coal mining in Sandakan has been indefinitely postponed, due to an adverse report from the consulting engineer; but I understand a renewed effort will be made to work and handle the coal from the present mines in a more efficient manner by the introduction of labour-saving machinery, which will include electrical transporters on Sandakan Wharf.

Revenue Steadily Increasing.

The plant has been maintained in first-class condition, and our Manager and Resident Engineer reports that it has been running very satisfactorily. During the year, a Weir feed pump was purchased and installed, also the No. 1 boiler was fitted with a new burning furnace to enable it to act as a stand-by during the period of demolition of the old No. 2 boiler and the substitution in its place of the new double-drum boiler.

Generally, the revenue of the Company shows a slow but steady increase, and with the starting of the new Government pumping plant, the sale of units for power should show a substantial increase. I regret to say that we, in common with other industries, are suffering from the slump in rubber, but I think we may look forward to brighter times.

In February last, our Manager and Resident engineer, Mr. Mavor, went on leave, returning to his post early in September.

Owing to the illness of our solicitor, we have not been able to have ready the new Articles of Association referred to by me last year.

The Accounts.

In consequence of the extension of the term of our Concession and the formation of the Sinking Fund, we have had to adjust certain entries in the Profit and Loss Account, as you will see from the balance sheet, and we shall continue to reserve for the replacement of the original cost of the concession, \$101,595.55, by setting aside \$1,000 per annum. This

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## WOMEN'S "WAR" ON A CANDIDATE.

OBJECTION TO SIR WILLIAM DAVISON.

SIR LAMING'S SEAT.

A strange political situation, which involves the future representation of two London constituencies and concerns two well-known Conservative M.P.s, is agitating the headquarters of the Conservative Party.

The issues are:—  
Is Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the Secretary for War, to be given a safe seat, and if so, which?

Who is to fight for South Kensington when the retirement of Sir William Bull takes effect?

Will Sir William Davison retire from the representation of South Kensington?

Leaving Colchester.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans announced recently that he would not contest Colchester again. The decision came as a surprise, and the reason given was that the War Secretary found the strain of a large constituency, in addition to the work of a Cabinet Minister, too great. It was stated that he would seek a seat near London, and it is the allocation of that seat that is causing the present trouble.

It has been rumoured that, for private reasons, Sir William Davison might retire from South Kensington, but there is no definite indication that he intends to do so. On the contrary, it is believed that in certain circumstances he is determined to stand again.

Safe Seat.

South Kensington is one of the safest seats in the country, so safe that at the last election neither of the oppositions bothered to put up a fight. It occasioned no surprise, therefore, when the name of Sir Laming Worthington-Evans was mentioned in connection with it.

There are, however, two difficulties:—

The seat is not vacant, and there may be no retirement of the sitting member.

A section of opinion at the party headquarters thinks that Sir Laming should take on a constituency in which a fight is certain.

The situation at South Kensington is a puzzling one. It amounts almost to a sex-war.

Recently the joint general executive of the South Kensington Conservative Association passed a vote of confidence in Sir William Davison. This was followed a few days ago by a meeting of the executive committee of the women's branch, at which a resolution was passed refusing to support the joint executive's vote of confidence.

I understand that Sir William Davison himself intends to accept nomination for the joint executive in its attitude of support. If this proves to be the case, the women's branch has a woman candidate who is prepared to take the field.

Three Candidates?

Should Sir William Davison not be nominated by the joint body it is possible that he would run as an Independent Conservative. In such a contingency there is a likelihood that the Liberals would seize the opportunity offered by a split Conservative vote to produce a third candidate.

Efforts are being made to compose the differences, but as yet there is no indication that they will be successful.

Meanwhile Sir Laming is still looking for his safe seat.

It has been suggested to him that he should follow Sir William Bull at South Hammersmith. That, however, would involve an exceptionally stiff fight. At the last election Sir William Bull, whose personality has for years dominated the division, held the seat by a majority of 3,875 over the Socialists.

Since 1923 the Socialists have made considerable headway in Hammersmith, and their present prospective candidate is Mr. Dan Charter, who is a forceful speaker with a strong organisation behind him. Sir Laming would also have to reckon with the hostility of a section of ex-servicemen who consider that they have a pensions grievance.

In other words, South Hammersmith seems hardly the division to relieve the War Secretary of those electoral anxieties which he is anxious to escape.

amount at compound interest, together with the \$13,738.43 already provided in these accounts, will return to us the original cost of the Conception in cash and securities.

I do not think, Gentlemen, that there is such a thing as a safe seat for your information, but before I move the adoption of the report and accounts, I must apologise for the lateness of the Accounts, which have been delayed until the receipt from Sandakan of certain information required by our auditors.

The report and accounts were adopted without discussion.

## WHAT AMANULLAH IS SEEKING TO DO.

THE REFORMS THAT ARE CAUSING OPPOSITION.

KARACHI MERCHANT'S VIEW OF AFGHANISTAN.

N. D. Malik, the author of the following article, is a well-known Karachi merchant, who wrote it after a visit to the country, and before the present troubles arose. He is an enthusiast for progress, but what he says throws light on the strength of the opposition which the King's policy has aroused. Amanullah, like many enlightened monarchs before him is finding the way of the reformer is hard—and he will go down to history as wise or foolish according to results.

KARACHI (U.P.)

Working on the theory that the first step in the modernization of Afghanistan must be accomplished through the reduction of illiteracy—at present approximately 98 per cent. of the population can neither read nor write—King Amanullah has set out to solve this problem with characteristic energy. Large amounts are being spent on the extension of the country's system of schools, which now comprise 500 Government schools, 2,000 Mullah schools, and three colleges. To-day, the total number of students attending all educational institutions exceeds 60,000.

At the same time many young men are being sent abroad for training in industrial and other lines. Girls are also being trained as nurses and doctors, and a group of 15 was recently sent to Turkey for special instruction along these lines.

German, French and Persian are being taught in the schools, the latter being the language of the court. English courses are also shortly to be introduced. All the school-children wear uniforms; for the boys there is a khaki uniform made of cloth manufactured at Kabul and consisting of a coat with closed collar, a pair of trousers and a smart cap. The girls have a black "overall" as their uniform. It is cut in smart lines and worn over a European style of clothing, that is rapidly displacing the century-old Moslem garb for women.

Simultaneously with the adoption of Westernized clothes by the school children, the adults of the country, both men and women, are also taking to European clothing. This change is being made at the command of the King. The majority of the population have quickly acquiesced to the order, but is meeting with considerable opposition on the part of a section of the orthodox priestly class, and by the remoter tribes. A number of incipient revolts have been crushed by the arrest and execution of the ringleaders. In Kabul itself, however, the change is being hailed with enthusiasm and shops for the sale of men's and women's European clothing are everywhere springing into existence. Plans are being laid for opening in Kabul, Afghanistan branches for several smart Parisienne shops.

The women, following the example of the Queen and other women in the royal family, are rapidly discarding the Purdah, or veil, although to date its abandonment is not compulsory.

## TAMING OF THE RHONE.

U.S. OFFER TO MAKE IT LIKE A CANAL.

IRRIGATION AND HYDRO-ELECTRIC POSSIBILITIES.

PARIS (U.P.).—Taming the Rhone, the "wild bull" of European Rivers is once more the subject of agitation following the disastrous floods of the past two months.

The potentialities of the project are enormous and were in fact recognized as such by American financiers who last year offered to finance the undertaking. Their offer was politely refused. In the meantime a commission made of local councils, chambers of commerce, the P.L.M. railroad and a "Societe Nationale" has drawn up plans but has done nothing more because of lack of funds. The commission found that the money needed for the project would be about ten billion francs (about \$400,000,000). Eight years have gone by since the appointment of the committee and the Rhone has ravaged the valleys in the Spring and Fall of each year since then.

The Rhone project would involve a three sided development of its possibilities. First it would be developed as a natural means of communication, being wide and deep

for 1,500 kilometers, from Lorraine to the Mediterranean. Secondly, it would be developed for irrigation purposes, retrieving for agricultural purposes many regions which are arid for want of rain. Thirdly, its great speed could lend itself admirably to development for hydro-electric purposes. A fourth and perhaps principal aspect of the development would be the building of levees and intensifying the drawing off the water by canalization for navigation and irrigation purposes.

The Rhone is already utilized in parts for the various purposes outlined, but its potentialities are for the most part untouched. The river in its lowest state has 650 cubic meters, at flood it reaches 10,000 and 15,000.

The recently completed canal between Marseilles to Lake Berre, united via the lake the largest seaport in France with the river. The Commission proposed a system of canals uniting the various large streams of France among which the Rhone is by far the largest joining in a continuous circuit Paris, Havre, Strasbourg and Marseilles. A link with Strasbourg would be especially advantageous because of its expansion and development as a port on the Rhine.

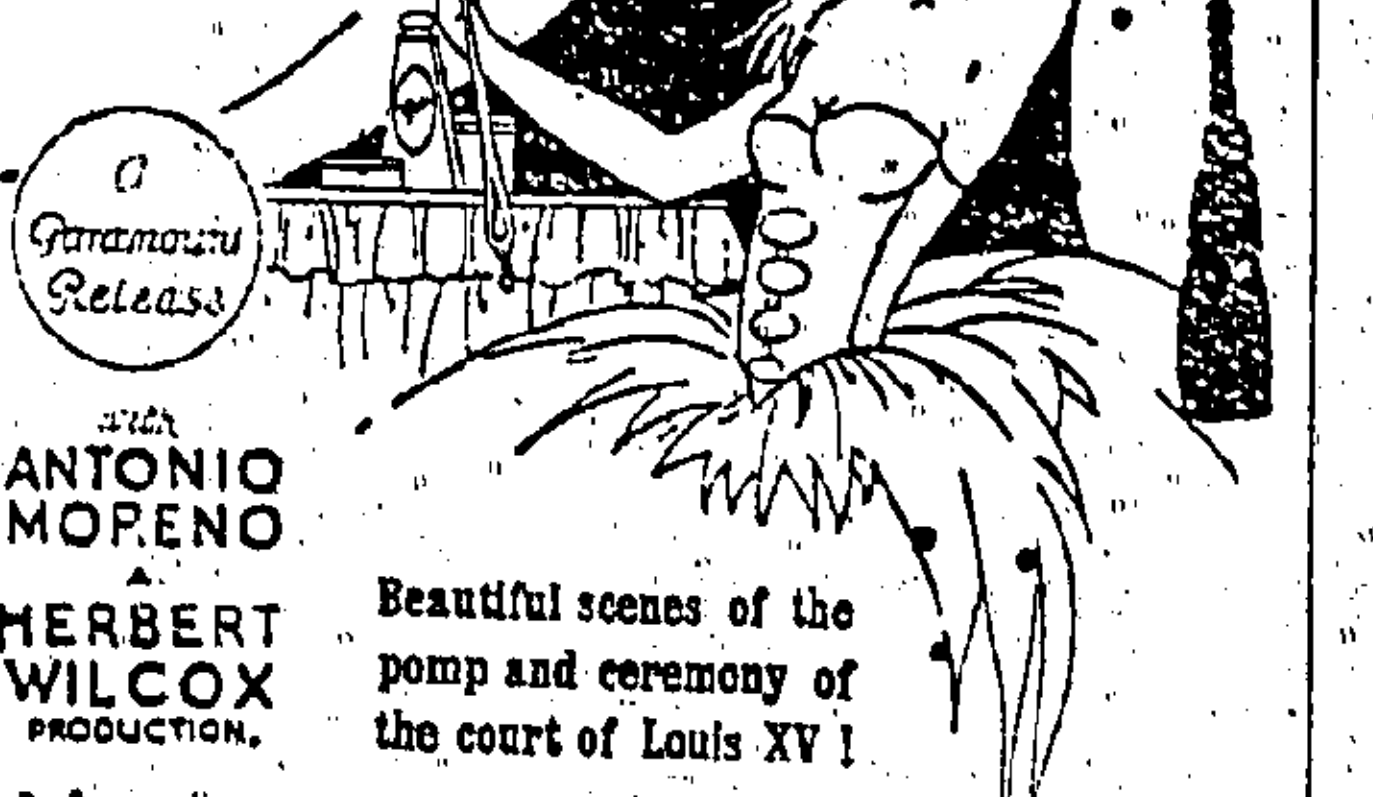
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O. Baptista (dist. in English and Biblical knowledge); A. Chan Yi Ching (dist. in English and arithmetic); K. Lai (dist. in arithmetic); B. I. Lee (dist. in Biblical knowledge); D. P. Leonard; C. Leong (dist. in Biblical knowledge); G. M. Remedios; R. Rumjahn; F. Tong; J. Tong (dist. in drawing); (Continued on next column).

### ARMED ROBBERY IN WEIHAIWEI.

#### SMART WORK BY THE POLICE.

#### ABSURD RUMOURS DENIED.

[FROM A CORRESPONDENT.]

The North-China Daily News of the 18th instant contains a telegram from Chefoo referring to a "Bandit Attack on Weihaiwei City," which is decidedly inaccurate. It is true that, owing to famine, war and misgovernment, the Shantung Province swarms with bandits whose ranks have been constantly swelled by defeated and disbanded soldiers. But it is equally true—as these gentry fully realise—that no organized band of robbers could possibly cross our border with a reasonable prospect of retaining cohesion for 24 hours, much less attacking the City which is about a mile distant from our barracks and police headquarters.

Apart from our local police—a semi-military force of nearly 200 men under foreign inspectors—we have a small garrison of British troops, a company of the Royal Scots, under Captain C. E. Thurston. Further, since the abolition of the ridiculous and archaic anti-motor Ordinance, facilities now exist for the rapid conveyance of police and troops to almost any threatened spot in the area under British control. Hence there can be no question as to our general security and protection.

Prosperity Attracts Gunmen. In this unhappy country prosperity, it would seem, is not an unmixed blessing and the increasing wealth of the Chinese trader at Weihai—mainly due to the just administration and sense of security which are synonymous with British rule—has proved an irresistible temptation to the armed robber, the individual who for some years past has been so much in evidence at Shanghai and other wealthy centres. As virgin soil, Weihai may have special attractions for your armed robber but they are balanced to some extent by obvious disadvantages. For instance, practically all Chinese business centres in our long street with alleyways, or side roads, to facilitate escape. Further, most money transactions are in local notes which have little, or no value outside the Territory.

#### Two Outrages.

However this may be, there have been two armed robberies in quick succession, on the evenings of the 18th and 19th instant. The first was an unqualified success when a group of men armed with knives and choppers held up a shop and secured about \$10,000. On the following evening five men, displaying pistols, entered another shop and departed with about \$800. With commendable promptness the shop people notified the authorities and with equal promptness the main street was flooded with policemen who searched all suspicious characters. In this manner two arrests were effected. Unfortunately, one miscreant had time to fire through his clothing at his captor who has since died from his injuries. The police raided two inns and arrested two more robbers, one with the greater part of the loot in his possession. Including the inn-keepers, suspected of harbouring criminals, eleven persons are now under lock and key. Unfortunately the leader of the robber band—said to be a local man and an ex-officer of the Chinese army—has made good his escape. There is, however, little doubt as to his identity and a reward of \$200 is offered by the local Government for information resulting in his capture. The rest of the band is said to have been recruited by their leader at Tsingtau.

#### Local Indignation.

The affair—unique in the history of Weihai has created the greatest sensation and indignation locally, and extraordinary reports have been in circulation. There was but one shot fired—unfortunately with a fatal result. The dead constable has received a public funeral, attended by H.E. The Commissioner and his staff; a dozen soldiers representing the local garrison; representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and others. Government Offices have closed for the day with flags half-masted. It is hardly necessary to add that ample provision is being made for the dependents of the dead man.

K. Tse (dist. in drawing and Biblical knowledge); Tsui Shiu Lan (dist. in arithmetic and Biblical knowledge); M. Xavier (dist. in Biblical knowledge).

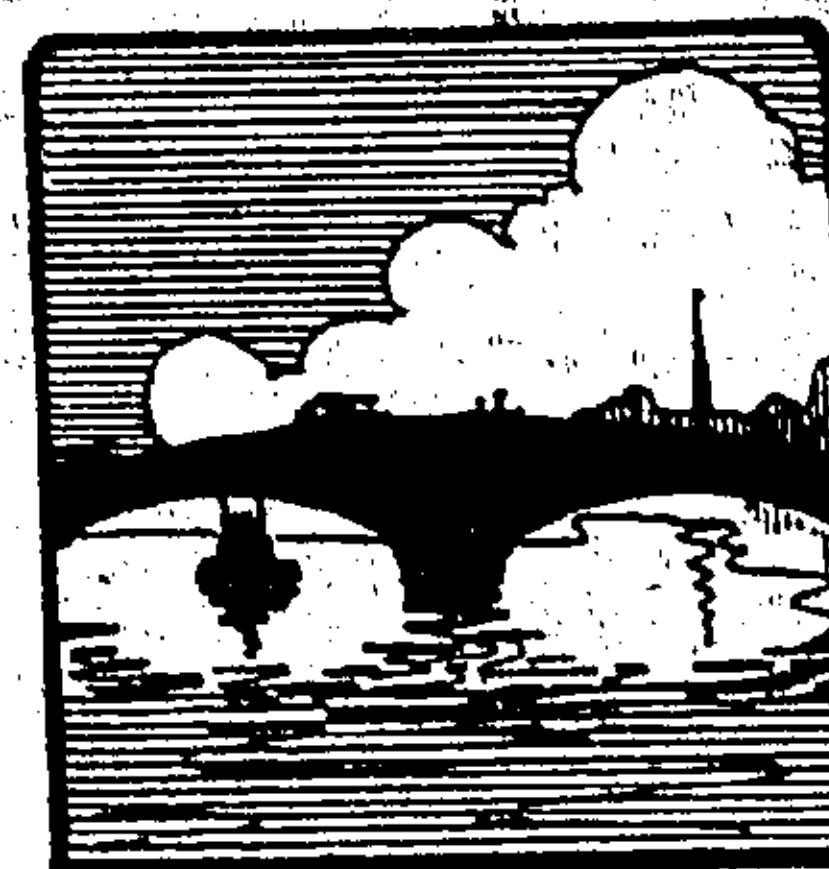
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E. D'Aquino (dist. in Biblical knowledge); G. Cheung (dist. in Biblical knowledge); M. Danenberg (dist. in English and Biblical knowledge); J. E. Fernandez (dist. in Biblical knowledge); A. E. Fernandez (dist. in Biblical knowledge); A. Noronha (dist. in English and Biblical knowledge); E. Ribeiro (dist. in Biblical knowledge); C. M. Silva; H. M. Silva (dist. in Biblical knowledge); F. Wong (dist. in Biblical knowledge).

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### THE PARIS AIRPORT.

#### LE BOURGET TOO SMALL.

The airport of Le Bourget, which three years ago was considered one of the finest in the world, is already too small and insufficiently equipped. One of the problems confronting the Ministry of Aeronautics is the complete reconstruction of this station into a modern commercial airport.

French aviation officials point out that Germany has one of the world's best airports in the huge Tempelhof field, that England has a modernized station at Croyden, and that Italy has an ample field in Montecelio. France still crowds its planes on the slanting field of Bourget, which is more than half occupied by military hangars, of the 34th Air Squadron, and the departures and landings of these army planes affords a constant menace to the slower moving commercial machines which now arrive with increasing frequency. Bourget, like the others, has become a centre of organized travel like any railway station.

Being the only available landing ground in the suburbs of Paris, the need of enlarging the station is deemed urgent. Commercial aviation leaders declare that the military station must be removed, that the field must be greatly enlarged and smoothed out, that all wires and trees must be cut down, and in fact, there is a plan ready which would practically reconstruct the entire field in the shape of a six or eight pointed star.

#### Raised Starting Platforms.

The points of the star would each be equipped with raised starting platforms for the departure of heavily charged planes. In between the points would be the smooth flat field for arrival of planes, the star idea affording straight-line departures or arrivals in any direction according to the way the wind blows.

Realization of this star-shaped field would necessitate the filling in of a small stream which runs across the northern edge of Le Bourget, and which is the bête noire of all fliers leaving Bourget on the long runs. The military hangars would have to be removed and the field planned for an encircling ring of big hangars capable of taking care of the increasing number of planes.

#### Customs Reform.

Another of the projected reforms is reorganization of the customs service. At present, travellers are cramped into a small room for the frontier formalities and when two or more planes arrive at the same time, there is apparently complete absence of inspection. The most important phase of the reconstruction, however, is the planning of a direct subway from the Place de l'Opera right to the civil air port. As in Berlin, travellers would then be enabled to embark from the centre of Paris, and to arrive from the various points in Europe right on the main thoroughfare of the French capital. It is suggested in these plans that the customs regulations be handed at the subway terminus, especially the passport examinations and the examination of small baggage.

"Among aviation fields near Paris is Issy les Moulinaux, Orly, and Villacoublay, but the last three are military stations, and even further from Paris than Le Bourget. At present, air passengers must spend at least a half hour in a taxi or autobus on the Bourget route, making the voyage longer than the commercial aviation companies think is necessary."



**MARSHAL LI TSAI HSIN TARRIES.****DEPARTURE FOR NANKING DELAYED.****THE BOYCOTT PICKETS.****STILL HARRYING MERCHANTS.****[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]**

CANTON, Dec. 30th.

Marshal Li Tsai Hsin has not as yet left Canton, the ostensible reason being that he has not been able to book a passage by an adequately comfortable ship. Marshals Chiang Kai Shek and Yen Shih Shan have sent several cables to Marshal Li, urging him to be at the capital by January 1st and though this is impossible he hopes to reach there before January 5th. Accompanying Marshal Li to Nanking will be Mr. Tang Ka Yin, his private secretary, Mr. Chu Chia Hua, Vice-Chancellor of Sun Yat Sen University, Mr. Liu Tuo Po, former Commissioner of Civil Affairs, and others. As far as our correspondents have been able to ascertain no passages have yet been booked.

**"JAPANESE" GOODS SEIZED.**

The Anti-Japanese Boycott Committee in Canton is as active as ever. Pickets are still stationed in the principal thoroughfares and goods of Japanese origin are seized and confiscated daily. On Saturday afternoon large quantities of "Angie Brand" soap, moth balls and other commodities accused of being of "undesirable" origin were seized from the Tak Cheung Company on Chang Shau Road in Sai Kwan and taken to the Headquarters of the Committee on South Bund.

The pickets have also raided several stores on Hing Lung Street, South, and arrested three persons for secretly importing Japanese goods into Canton. The raid was accompanied by the Police who broke into the shops without any warning. But despite a long search no Japanese goods were found. However, three proprietors were arrested and taken to the Central Police Station, Wai Sun Road, for investigation and trial. The pickets said that they had secret information that these stores were violating the rules of the Committee by importing Japanese goods for certain merchants of the city. The pickets also declared that these "rule breakers" had rented rooms in the Hotel Asia. They at once summoned the Police and raided this place also, but the rooms named were unoccupied and no arrests could be made. The bell boys of the Hotel said that the people who had been in them had left for Hong Kong in the morning. A search revealed clues, so it is declared, suggesting smugglers of Japanese goods had been there. According to the pickets warning had been given these people beforehand, so they moved out with their "undesirable" goods before the Police arrived.

**A LIBRARY EXHIBITION.**

The Sun Yat Sen University Library is going to hold an exhibition from January 1st to 3rd inclusive, the object of which is to bring knowledge of good books to the people and to encourage education. The exhibits will be divided into eighteen classes, including standard books in almost every language, and great many maps and atlases. The present overcrowding admission will be by tickets which have been distributed.

**FORESTRY IN KWANGTUNG.****GOVERNMENT EFFORTS NOT SUPPORTED.**

During the past year the Kwangtung Government has tried to foster forestry in the province. A good deal of propaganda has been printed, lectures sent out and everything possible done to prepare the way. The Government also arranged a "Tree Planting Festival" when the leading personalities in the province planted "fruit trees," etc., in the plantations and it was hoped that the scheme would go ahead.

But, alas, for human hopes, the thing has proved to be a failure. The people never understood the propaganda and refused to be bothered with the Government's latest whim.

This is a pity as South China will have to continue to import a valuable commodity which could certainly be grown at home with profit to all concerned.

At present timber is imported from Manila, and Sandakan, through Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., and Messrs. Gibb, Livingstone & Co., Ltd. Both firms acting as agents for the two countries. A large volume of business was done in former years, and several brokers have made their fortune and lost it again since the general strike.

The market for all kind of timbers is dull at present. Very little business passes through and quotations have fallen sharply. American pine which was once quoted at Gold Coast 100 tons in now selling at 7 cents per foot, local currency.

**ANKING PIRACY TRIAL.****JUDGE AND JURY VISIT SHIP.****SEA-SICK PIRATE SERVED WITH TEA AND MILK.**

The trial of Yuen Ping Kwan on a charge of having participated in the piratical attack on the s.s. Anking on September 28th, was continued on Saturday before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, and a jury. The case lasted until 5 p.m., when it was found that there were still eight witnesses to be called for the prosecution. An adjournment was then made until this morning.

Mr. H. Somerset Fitzroy, Assistant Attorney General, is prosecuting, and the defence is conducted by Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., instructed by Mr. A. E. Hall.

Arising out of a question by Counsel for the defence, his Lordship and the jury paid a visit to the ship now lying in harbour. About an hour was spent on board.

**Assistant Comproadore's Story Vindicated.**

In his cross-examination of the Assistant comproadore of the ship, one of the witnesses who identified the prisoner, Mr. Alabaster expressed a doubt that from where the witness was standing at the time, he (witness) would be able to see the prisoner. This point could not be cleared up by consulting the plan and photograph submitted by the prosecution, and a visit was paid to the vessel.

The Court adjourned at noon and his Lordship and the jury proceeded to the Anking on board the Police launch No. 9. The Assistant comproadore was able to demonstrate to the Chief Justice and the jury that from a port hole in his cabin, which was situated behind an outer cabin, he could obtain a view of the deck outside.

Returning to Queen's Pier at about 1 p.m., his Lordship decided to resume the case in the afternoon, in view of the fact that the Anking was sailing on New Year's morning.

**Identified Without Difficulty.**

Evidence taken from the Assistant comproadore and two saloon boys was to the effect that they had picked the accused out at the identification parade without difficulty. They had seen the accused lying on a settee while the ship was under the control of the pirates. They all agreed that the prisoner carried a short firearm. The accused was sea-sick.

In cross-examination, the Assistant comproadore said that on September 28th, two days after the ship had been seized, he went to his own cabin. From the port hole he saw third class passengers being brought up the hatchway from the lower deck. They were searched by the accused while other armed men stood by.

The Wireless Operator also identified the prisoner. He first saw the accused soon after the ship had been seized. Witness was held up by two armed men outside his own cabin door. The pirates then dismantled the wireless apparatus, and took witness to the captain's cabin. Later the prisoner came in and asked witness where the ship's firearms were kept. Witness said that he did not know and was struck by prisoner who said "You are lying."

One of the saloon boys stated that he remembered serving the accused twice with tea and milk, and also with coffee. Prisoner was then lying on the settee and appeared to be sea-sick.

**Dead Officers Thrown Overboard.**

Li Ping Shan, the boatswain, was unable to be present to give his evidence owing to sickness. His son was called to prove that his father had gone to the country for treatment. Li's deposition was then read out to the Court. He stated that on September 27th, he was asked by the pirates to throw the dead bodies of the Chief Engineer, the Chief Officer and the Chinese quartermaster overboard. He noticed that the bodies of the two Europeans were covered with blood. He wanted to examine the bodies, but the pirates did not allow him to. Two of the dead bodies were on deck, whilst that of the Chief Engineer was outside the doctor's cabin.

After further evidence had been heard as to what had happened on board the ship, the Court rose at 6 p.m. The case is continuing this morning at 10.15 a.m.

**TAIKOO AMAH'S ASSAILANTS.****SENTENCED TO 6 MONTHS' IMPRISONMENT.****DESCRIBED AS "HONEST MEN."**

The two Chinese coolies from Hunghom who were charged with assaulting an amah with the intention of robbing her were again before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy on Saturday.

They were stated to have entered the servants' quarters of the residence of Mr. N. Drummond, of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, and handled the amah roughly in an attempt to rob her. The woman raised an alarm whereupon the men took to their heels, but she pursued them until the fugitives were arrested by an Indian constable.

**Testimony Of Witnesses.**

Mr. Drummond gave evidence on Saturday stating that he heard the woman's cries and on looking out of his house he saw the two men run across the ground near his house and gain the high road. Witness said he was not dressed, otherwise he would have followed them, but he saw the men stopped by an Indian constable some three hundred yards away. When they were brought back to the house witness recognised the two men by their clothing.

A Chinese tramway inspector stated that he was on a car travelling to Shaikwan at 10.30 a.m. on Saturday, December 22nd, when he saw the two men running with the amah some fifty yards behind shouting "save life." Witness said that he blew his whistle from the tramcar deck and had the fugitives under observation as they were running in front of the car. At the moment the car was about to overtake them an Indian constable stopped them. Witness added that he did not lose sight of the men for one moment and identified the two men in the dock as the fugitives.

Further evidence of the men's flight and their arrest was given by a watchman who happened to be outside the gates of the Refinery.

**Plausible Excuses.**

The first defendant made a statement to the effect that he went to visit a friend at Shaikwan, but failing to meet him he was walking in the direction of East Point on his way back to Hunghom. Questioned by his Worship as to why he was found going in the direction of Shaikwan according to the abundant evidence before the Court, defendant said that he came a certain distance and "turned back." Defendant further complained that he did not assault the complainant as he had no reason for doing so. His Worship observed that it was a way with thieves to rob anybody.

A Chinese fitter at the Green Island Cement works gave evidence on behalf of the defendants. He said that he had known the first defendant for nine years as a coolie at the Hunghom ferry wharf, and also the other man. They were honest men and had never been in trouble. Asked why he should be mixed up in an affair of this kind, witness said that Saturday was a holiday owing to the Winter Solstice, and like himself the defendants were having a stroll. He could not believe that they were concerned in the affair.

His Worship sentenced each of the defendants to six months' hard labour.

**BONDED WAREHOUSES.****NEW LIQUOR STORES IN HONG KONG.**

In exercise of the powers vested in him by the provisions of the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911, His Excellency the Governor in Council has been pleased to approve and appoint the premises at Nos. 328, 330 and 332, Des Vaux Road West, the property of the China Navigation Co., Ltd., to be general bonded warehouses for the warehousing of dutiable liquors.

For the purposes of the Liquors Consolidation Ordinance, 1911, and of all regulations made thereunder, the China Navigation Co., Ltd., shall be deemed to be the person in charge of the general bonded warehouses appointed for the warehousing of dutiable liquors.

The China Navigation Co., Ltd., shall be responsible for the observance and performance of all the duties devolving upon a person in charge of such a general bonded warehouse, and in particular for the observance and performance of the regulations numbered 3 to 10 inclusive under the heading "General Bonded Warehouses" appearing on pages 414-246 of the Regulations of Hong Kong, 1844-1925.

**MADAME POMPADOUR.****CLEVER SETTINGS AND COSTUME.****THE WEAKNESS OF FILM STORIES.****PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.****[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]**

It would be interesting to know by exactly what process a cinematograph story arrives at the condition in which it appears on the screen. Some idea can be gathered from the list of the cooks responsible for the broth which is shown before the picture starts, but how does the thing begin, and why should the generally very unsatisfactory method not be scrapped? So many pictures otherwise excellent are spoiled by a poor story and it is particularly strange that even when a really good novel, play or legend has been used for the basis of the film it is either ignored or mutilated. There could hardly be a better, more dramatic or more clearly told story than that of the life of Christ, but it would appear that de Mille had not himself read it by the version which he gave to the World in "The King of Kings." The film gives a series of well-known Gospel incidents strung together by extraneous matter, to the exclusion of the original narrative.

The life of Madame de Pompadour has been even worse told. The historical facts about the lady are known and there are several excellent romances, but the film gives us only a picture of modern Americans dressed in 18th century costume. One imagines a conversation something in these lines:—

The director: "Why not a story about Madame de Pompadour?"  
An assistant: "She was the mistress of one of the French Kings, wasn't she?"

The director: "Yes, look up, which one. We must build up a set of Versailles, the costumes are good, anyway. Get someone to write a story, with a love interest."

And so we get "Madame de Pompadour" featuring Dorothy Gish. The costumes and the settings are excellent, and as it is a picture made by Americans mainly for Americans it does not, perhaps, matter that the grand manner, the dignity and the very real greatness that one associates with the court of Louis XV. are absent. The Pompadour in history was a woman of no ordinary intellectual power; she virtually ruled a great nation, even if she did it unwisely, and the painter of her day have shown her to be a woman of commanding presence and very real beauty. Dorothy Gish is, on the other hand, quite a pretty modern American girl, and no more.

The film is very good pictorially and if you can forget the real characters whose shadows are superimposed to be you may find the love story of the Pompadour and her poet interesting and tragic.

The Parisian revue is giving a new programme at the 9.50 house to-night.

**FILM PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.**

A change which should be noted by all patrons of the cinema is that from yesterday the programmes at the World and Star will be changed every other day now, as previously, on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays only. The continuous performance at the Star is discontinued under the new arrangement and there will only be two performances daily at 5.15 and 9.20. A new orchestra has been engaged and will play at both houses.

**Queen's.**

To-day:—"Madame Pompadour."  
To-morrow and Wednesday:—"A Girl in Every Port." Victor McClellan, the hero of "What Price Glory" here has a comedy part as the happy-go-lucky sailor who has a wife in every port. Louise Brooks plays the heroine.

Thursday to Saturday:—"Mockery," which has been described as "a picture of fantastic shadows, grim horror and the terrible realities of a nation in revolution," with the sinister figure of Lon Chaney in the central role. "Mockery" is Chaney's latest picture, and by many claimed to be his finest. He plays a savage, the animal-like peasant who thrown suddenly into the upheaval of the revolution becomes a dangerous beast, and when love and loyalty touch his heart into the bulwark of a besieged aristocrat. "Mockery" does not sound as if it were a picture for children or the highly strung, but for those that are not nervous and admire the art of Lon Chaney it will probably be one of exceptional interest. (Continued on next column).

**BISHOP H. J. MOLONY.****LEAVING SHANGHAI SHORTLY.****20 YEARS' MISSIONARY SERVICE.**

Shanghai, December 27th U.P.:—After 20 years of missionary service in China, Bishop H. J. and Mrs. Molony are shortly to retire and return to England for the remainder of their days. In appreciation of the services they have rendered, the Ningpo Missionary Association, at a special meeting held in honour of the Bishop and his wife, passed a resolution in which thanks is tendered.

The resolution follows:—"Whereas Bishop and Mrs. H. J. Molony are shortly retiring to the homeland after a fruitful lifetime spent in the Orient, of which more than twenty years have been in Ningpo, be it resolved:—That we express our profound regret that they are so soon leaving the Ningpo community and the circle of our Missionary Association where their gracious influence has made itself so long and so helpfully felt."

"That we are thankful to God and our friends for the fine service they have rendered us, the community, and the cause of Christ in China. Bishop Molony's courage, optimism, breadth of vision and generous attitudes have been an inspiration and a benediction; while Mrs. Molony by her kind hospitality and interest in every good work has made a rich and much appreciated contribution."

"That our prayers and interest will follow them in their further work in the homeland, and we bespeak their continued influence and intercession in behalf of us and the task they are leaving."

**BRIGANDS IN TURKESTAN.****FOUR TRIED AT ANCIENT SAMARKAND.**

Samarkand, U.P.:—The daring operations of a band of bandits along the Soviet-Afghan border were revealed in some detail at a trial here which resulted in death sentences for three members of the band and ten years' imprisonment for the fourth.

The four tried were captured last March in a running fight between the bandits and Red soldiers. The trial, established, however, that they were minor members of the criminal group. The real leaders, Alet Palvan and Bori Kholian, are still at large and although temporarily quiet may again prey on travellers.

The band first became active early in February. In the course of three months it attacked and robbed two large Soviet camel caravans, about 100 individual travellers and several Mohammedan villages.

The bandits, it appeared in the trial, are remnants of the "basmaichi"—residents of Turkestan who fought against the institution of a Soviet form of government in the mid-Asia. With the victory of the Soviets, these "basmaichi" for the most part fled into Afghanistan.

Recently, under the leadership of Palvan and Kholian, they re-emerged and became a problem for the local authorities. Last February they halted a caravan of 300 camels conveying grain for the Asiatic grain export organization. They took not only the grain but a good many of the camels.

Travelling in Turkestan is never too safe, has been made especially hazardous by such groups. The danger of travelling is sometimes advanced as one reason why the Soviet government in that region refuses (except in unusual cases) to permit foreigners to enter.

**World.**

To-day:—"The Quarterback." A cheery comedy of American college life with Richard Dix and Mary Brian.

To-morrow and Wednesday:—"Behind the Front," an absurdity of war with Wallace Beery and Raymond Hatton, which drew crowded houses to the Queen's when it was shown there.

Thursday and Friday:—"Wild, Wild, Susan." Bébé Daniels and Rod la Rocque in an amusing story of a girl who pined for excitement and spent a night in a haunted house.

Saturday and Sunday:—"Ben Hur," the latest and most thrilling of big spectacle films, which cost \$200,000 to produce, with Ramon Novarro and a big cast of players.

Star.

To-day:—"The Magic Flame." Ronald Coleman and Vilma Hanky in the romance of a circus clown who became a king.

To-morrow and Wednesday:—"The Better 'Ole." Syd Chaplin as "Old Bill" of the Barnfather war cartoons.

Thursday and Friday:—"Ben Hur."

Saturday and Sunday:—"Topsy and Eva," the musical comedy version of "The Topsy Turvy Story" by Uncle Tom's Cabin.

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**VERY SIGNIFICANT MOVE.****NATIONALIST FLAG IN MANCHURIA.****C. T. WANG INTERVIEWED.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

NANKING, Dec. 30th.

The Nationalist Government has approved Chang Hsueh Liang's nomination for the Provincial Government Committee of Manchuria, including Chai Wen Hsien, Chang Tso Hsiang, Chang Yen Wei and Tang Yu Lin as chairmen of the Fengtien, Kirin, Heilungkiang and Jehol Committees respectively.

Chang Hsueh Liang has been appointed North-Eastern Defence Commissioner, with Chang Tso Hsiang and Wan Fu Lin as Vice-Commissioners.

C. T. Wang declared to Reuter that the hoisting of the Nationalist flag in Manchuria was the most significant move in recent political developments in the Far East. The action of the Fengtien Government in conformity with the wishes of the entire nation and would have been effected long ago but for uncalculated external interferences.

**Military Co-operation.**

Officials and Party leaders consider that the hoisting of the Nationalist flag affords indisputable proof that the military leaders throughout the country will co-operate in the work of reconstruction, even though they have to make serious sacrifices.

The spokesman of the Nationalist Government states that the Fengtien move is considered to show indisputable proof that the military leaders of Manchuria are willing to take orders from Nanking and co-operate in the work of reconstruction.

Hoisting the Nationalist flag in Manchuria makes the unification of the country a fact, and greatly strengthens the prestige of the Nationalist Government.

**People's Surprise.****(Wah Tai Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30th.

The Kuomintang flag began to be seen early yesterday morning in Mukden, Harbin, Jehol and other important cities and districts in Manchuria. Until this actually occurred the Manchurian people knew little about it.

On the same morning General Chang Hsueh Liang held a conference with his subordinates at the military headquarters. At the conference he reported the arrangements made for hoisting the Kuomintang flag in Manchurian territories. Meanwhile the whole conference decided upon the text of the telegram to be sent to Marshal Chiang Kai Shek informing him of this event. The telegram requests Marshal Chiang to mark the date December 29th as the Memorial Day for the complete unification of the whole of China under the Kuomintang.

The Manchurian Government has been also reformed according to the Nationalist system. The central authority of Manchuria is invested in the "Political Commission" of the Three Eastern Provinces, on which are Messrs. Chang Hsueh Liang, Chang Tso Hsiang, Wen Yu Lin, Chai Wen Hsien, Sheng Yu Hua, Ying Hsi Lin, Feng Peng Jen, Wang Shu Sheng, Han Lin Chun, Chi Chin Sien and Hsin Sung Lin. The Political Commission will be formally inaugurated on New Year's Day.

**Japan Silent.**

TOKYO, Dec. 30th.

There has been little Press comment so far on the change to the Nationalist flag in Manchuria, though the *Asahi* and *Hokko* appear to reflect the general attitude in blaming Baron Tanaka's faulty diplomacy as responsible for the recent developments unfavourable to Japan.

Official circles are outwardly calm, and are expected to watch developments and take no action provided that Japanese rights and interests are not infringed.

**NANKING AND MUKDEN.****POLICIES NOW IDENTICAL.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]**

MUKDEN, Dec. 29th.

A circular telegram, signed by Chang Hsueh Liang, Chang Tso Hsiang, Wan Fu Lin, Chai Wen Hsien, civil governor of Fengtien, Chang Ying Hua and other leading Manchurian officials states that the late Marshal Chang Tso Lin during his life-time never opposed Sun Yat Sen's principles but to his bitter end fought Communism in China.

His last will expressed a hope for China's unification and peace. The Nationalist Government's policy was now identical with that of the Manchurian authorities, adds the message.

Complying with the ex-Marshall's will, the signatories have decided to accept the San Min Chiu I (Dr. Sun's Three Principles) and submit to the authority of the Nationalist Government as a token of which the "White Sun" flag was hoisted today.

**THE CHINA TARIFF TREATY.****BEGINNING OF NEW ERA.****LONDON PRESS COMMENT.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****LONDON, Dec. 29th.**

The publication in London of the full text of the tariff treaty recently concluded between China and Great Britain has resulted in generally favourable comment, it being pointed out that as an experiment it is likely to prove valuable.

Sir Kenneth Stewart, in the course of an interview with Reuter, stated that the new rates of duty were not likely to damage in the least the Lancashire trade in China even though in some instances they were higher than at present.

Sir Kenneth expressed the opinion that the Treaty should be regarded as an experiment, adding that before one could safely move to questions concerning other matters in which China does not yet possess full sovereign powers over foreigners, some little time should be given to see if the present experiment is successful.

**A New Era.**

In an editorial comment, on the signature of the Treaty, the *Spectator* welcomes the agreement and emphasises that Britain has led the way in China.

The journal congratulates Sir Miles Lampson on his achievement, saying that to-day, Britain's position in China is better than it has been for many years past.

The tariff treaty has given the National Government "face" not out of compulsion, but purely voluntarily as far as the British Government is concerned, marking the dawn of a new period of reconstruction in China and a new era of Anglo-Chinese relations.

The *Nation* which also refers to the Treaty in complimentary terms, goes on to speak of the position of Japan regarding China. Japan, it points out, is the only country which has not exhibited a willingness to recognise tariff autonomy, and the *Nation* expresses the opinion that Japan can hardly afford to play a lone hand for long.

Recent events, it adds, give some assurance that British understanding with Japan will not be allowed to act as a brake on a progressive British policy in China.

**Struggle Ended.**

The *New Statesman* cordially welcomes the British lead. The Nanking recognition ceremonies mark the end of a long and bitter struggle between Britain and China, and an earnest of Britain's intention actively to help in the reconstruction of China.

While deploring that Japan still lags behind, the journal regards it as a satisfactory surprise that Sir Austen Chamberlain has not been persuaded to hang back with her.

The *Saturday Review* suggests that the signature of the tariff treaty and the formal recognition of the Nanking Government is valuable not only for the development of trade, but as proving that the American fears of a new Anglo-Japanese Alliance are unfounded.

**DISARMAMENT AIMS.****[NAVAL WIRELESS.]****NANKING, Dec. 28th.**

General Li Tsung Jen's arrival at Nanking was delayed owing to the gumbat Chu Tung, in which he travelled, going aground near Christmas Island, during the passage from Hankow. Marshal Li Tsung Jen landed at Nanking at noon on December 28th. The Disarmament Conference has been postponed until January 1st.

It is reported that the hope of this Conference is to reduce each army by 30 per cent. by mutual agreement. Should this be carried out upwards of one million soldiers are affected.

**Outstanding Figures.****(Wah Tai Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30th.

The Military Reorganisation and Demobilisation Conference will be attended by 23 military and political leaders altogether, according to the list given out by the Nanking authorities. The following outstanding figures are included:

Chiang Kai Shek, Feng Yu Hsiang, Li Tsung Jen, Yang Shu Cheong, Li Tsai Hain, Ho Ying Chin, Pei Chung Hsi, Tan Yen Kai, T. V. Soong, Sun Fo and Chu Pao Teh.

**HOLLAND'S LATEST TELEPHONE.****QUEEN MOTHER'S JUBILEE.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****THE HAGUE, Dec. 29th.**

Wireless telephony with the Dutch East Indies will be open to the public on January 8th. On January 7th the Queen Mother will converse with the Governor-General's wife, who will convey the congratulations of the Dutch East Indies women who contributed to the gift to be made to the Queen Mother on the occasion of her jubilee.

**BOYCOTT AT ICHANG.****[NAVAL WIRELESS.]****Dec. 29th.**

There is no change in the situation at Ichang. The Japanese Boycott Society have now prevented pilots from going on board Butterfield & Swire's ships on the score that they wish to search cargoes. Ichang appears to be the only port on the river where the Japanese boycott is enforced in any way, and it appears doubtful whether it is any more than a local squeeze committee endeavouring to force their own terms on shippers.

**DEFEAT OF YANG SEN.****[NAVAL WIRELESS.]****Dec. 29th.**

The position at Chungking appears more satisfactory. Liu Hsiang is stated to have defeated his enemies in the first battle and is advancing on Fuchow. Severe fighting is said to have taken place, and ship loads of wounded have been seen. It is not clear whether Yang Sen has been engaged or which side he is supporting.

**(Wah Tai Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30th.

Over five thousand enemy troops and officers were captured while a large quantity of ammunition was seized. General Liu Hsiang personally directed operations at the front. His vanguard has advanced to Chengshui, to the north-east of Chungking.

**SOVIET'S NEW POLICY.****(Wah Tai Yat Pao).**

SHANGHAI, Dec. 30th.

According to a foreign report all the Russian consuls in Manchuria held a joint meeting the other day to discuss the modification of Russia's policy towards China. It was resolved that in future the Soviet diplomatic policy to China as a whole would be a passive one. Beside the complete cessation of Bolshevik propaganda in Chinese territories, the Soviet Government would promise to make no attempt to incite China against Japan.

**KELLOGG PACT FOR CHINA.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****WASHINGTON, Dec. 29th.**

The State Department has transmitted a draft of the Kellogg Pact to the Chinese Minister to serve as a basis for the Sino-American Arbitration Treaty.

China is the last nation, represented at Washington, to be offered the Pact by Mr. F. B. Kellogg, Secretary of the State Department.

**CLEANING UP PEPING.****MAYOR SETS AN EXAMPLE.**

PEPING, December 21st U.P.—

Peping's "farm-boy" mayor, Ho Chi Kung, and other prominent government officials, appeared in the streets of this ancient city armed with brooms as a part of the city's "clean-up" campaign. Officials, students and boy scouts, each with a broom, large or small, did their bit in cleaning up Peping. Preceding the actual sweeping, a mass meeting was held in which the people were urged to "keep Peping clean."

Cleanliness is not one of the most conspicuous of Chinese virtues, so the campaign is watched with interest by those who believe "cleanliness is next to godliness."

**KING'S CONDITION UNCHANGED.****A FAIR NIGHT.****GRADUAL PROGRESS.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****LONDON, Dec. 30th.**

His Majesty passed a fair night. His condition is unchanged.

The bulletin issued at 8.15 p.m. on Saturday states that the King had a quiet day, and the slow improvement noted this morning continues.

This bulletin, which is the fourth in succession of a favourable character, is regarded as satisfactory in view of the fact that progress was maintained throughout the day. Progress must in the nature of things be very slow, indeed and cannot be measured daily. There has been a very gradual improvement since Thursday's setback.

Ray therapy treatment was again administered to-night.

**Blood Transfusion?**

Following a suggestion that blood might be transfused to His Majesty dozens, by telephone and otherwise, offered their services but, according to the Secretary of the Blood Transfusion Service of the Red Cross, there is not the slightest possibility of anyone outside of Court circles being required.

A bulletin issued at 1.30 stated that the King had a quiet night and that there is very slight change for the better.

A larger crowd than usual awaited the posting of the bulletin outside Buckingham Palace.

As regards the reports that the King has been unconscious for long periods, it is pointed out that such statements at the present stage of the illness are very misleading. There is still great weakness but anxiety is decreasing.

Blood transfusion has not even been considered. Yesterday's reference to new measures being adopted are related to a new course of medicine.

**Drugs From America.**

The *Evening News* says the King's Messenger met the s.s. Olympic on her arrival at Southampton from New York and received from the purser a small packet containing special drugs for use in connection with the King's illness.

The packet contained the so-called Dakins' Solution used by the Allied Armies during the war to sterilise wounds.

Dr. Sherman, of the Carnegie Steel Company, Pittsburgh, offered to supply the solution, manufactured by the electrolytic process, for local treatment of the King.

The offer was thankfully accepted. In view of the nature of Saturday's bulletin the Prince of Wales adhered to his original intention to hunt with the Belvoir and spend the week-end in the country. The Duke and Duchess of York returned to London from Northamptonshire on Saturday night and dined with the Queen.

**FRENCH SHIPBUILDING FOR ENGLAND.****NEW TANKER LAUNCHED.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****ROUEN, Dec. 29th.**

The first ship ever built in France for England, the 15,000-ton tanker, *Megane*, has been launched. She will join a British line.

**EDUCATION IN THE FAR EAST.****HUGE REQUESTS BY AMERICAN.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****NEW YORK, Dec. 29th.**

G.810,000,000, the residue of the estate of the late Charles Hall, the Father of Aluminim, will be distributed to 21 of the higher educational institutions of the Far East including the American College and the Madurai and Allahabad Agricultural Institute in India and the following institutions in China—Oberlin Shansi Memorial Association, Harvard Yenching Institute and the following five universities—Lingnam, West China Union, Nanking, Fukien Christian Institute and Shantung.

**ANOTHER CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT.****LITVINOFF'S REQUEST REFUSED.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****GENEVA, Dec. 29th.**

The preliminary commission on disarmament which has not met since May 1927 has been convoked to meet on April 15th, 1929. The United States has accepted an invitation to attend.

Replying to M. Litvinoff, who recently requested an immediate convocation of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission, M. Loudon, the President of the Commission, declared that there was no advantage in a meeting of the Commission before April, 1929.

**MEXICAN BANDIT EXECUTED.****ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP U.S. AMBASSADOR.****[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]****MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29th.**

The insurgent leader, Vigueras, has been captured and executed. He was charged with attempting to kidnap the United States Ambassador, Mr. Dwight Morrow.

**GERMANY AND RUSSIA.****A CLOSER FRIENDSHIP.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****BERLIN, Dec. 28th.**

That Germany and Russia are getting closer together is indicated by the foreshadowing of an important extension of Russo-German trade relations following the signing of a Protocol in Moscow on the 21st instant.

The new Protocol will smooth immediate difficulties, for example, commercial espionage, which the Soviet has agreed to interpret in a manner corresponding to international usages.

The bases of further detailed negotiations have been laid down, facilities being granted by which German holders of Russian concessions will negotiate directly with the Soviet authorities.

**SALVATION ARMY LEADERSHIP.****WELCOME FOR EVANGELINE BOOTH.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****LONDON, Dec. 29th.**

Hundreds of Salvationists enthusiastically greeted Evangeline Booth on her arrival in London from America. She declined to discuss the forthcoming meeting of the High Council but hinted that the American delegation held very pronounced views.

**HUGE HANGARS AT CROYDON.****ALREADY INADEQUATE.****[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]****RUGBY, Dec. 28th.**

What is believed to be the largest aeroplane shed in the world will be available at Croydon on January 1st for the housing of air liners employed on the Cross-Channel routes.

It will accommodate fifty liners. Although built as recently as January last, so rapid has been the growth of the traffic that this accommodation has already proved inadequate.

**THE SMALL-POX EPIDEMIC.****100,000 CHINESE VACCINATED.**

The number of Chinese vaccinated, free of charge, by members of the Ambulance Brigade since December 3rd and up to and including last Friday, was 101,273.

The record of the various divisions was as follows:—Chinese Y.M.C.A. Division, 23,792; Railway Division, 2,321; Indian Division, 2,337; Kowloon Division, 60,409; Mongkok Division, 63,894; Shaikwan Division, 8,297; Tin Long, 217; St. Joseph's College Division, 6,130; Victoria Nursing Division, 464; Y.W.C.A. Nursing Division, 219.

**18 More Cases.**

On Friday 18 cases of small-pox, one British and the rest Chinese, were reported. Fourteen were from Kowloon and four from Victoria.

**FRENCH POLITICAL CRISIS.****M. POINCARÉ'S VIEWS IGNORED.****THE NEXT MOVE?****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****PARIS, Dec. 29th.**

The likelihood of a serious political crisis in the near future is being discussed by political observers as a result of differences between M. Poincaré and the Senate over the proposed increase of the salaries of Senators and Deputies. M. Poincaré was opposed to an increase at a Cabinet meeting this morning but was in the minority later in the day.

The Senate by 140 votes to 107 adopted a clause in the Finance Bill providing a salary increase, thus inflicting a personal defeat on the Premier.

**All Night Sitting.**

After an all night sitting the Chamber by 460 votes to 113 adopted the Budget, including the clause raising the salaries of Senators and Deputies. M. Poincaré left the Chamber while the vote was taken on this clause, which was passed by a narrow majority. There is much speculation in the lobbies and the Press as to what M. Poincaré will do in this matter.

**AUSTRALIAN RADIO STATION.****BIG DAMAGE BY FIRE.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****MELBOURNE, Dec. 28th.**

A fire threatens to destroy the wireless station at Ballan, to which beam messages are transmitted from England. There is little hope of saving the receiving room.

**SUGAR RESTRICTIONS REMOVED.****FREE HAND IN CUBA.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****HAVANA, Dec. 29th.**

A Presidential decree abolishes restrictions on the forthcoming sugar crop and not only rescinds regulations affecting planting, cutting and grinding, but allows shippers greater freedom in marketing sugar abroad without the supervision of an export commission.

New York's sugar prices have eased slightly following the foregoing announcement.

**THE UGLIFICATION OF MARIA.****GERMAN ACTRESS'S ODD STUNT.****Berlin U.P.—**

Maria Koppenhoefer is perhaps the first actress who, in order to comply with the requirements of her role, actually "uglified" herself. She deliberately had her upper lip enlarged by the application of a special apparatus which she wore day and night until she considered herself fit for her role.

Maria was slated to personify the heroine in Lion Feuchtwanger's new play "Oil Island" which called for a woman whose ugliness surpassed the dreams of the most enraged misogynist.

Paint and powder, Maria decided, were insufficient means to create on the stage a person of such abstract ugliness. Hence she had the little apparatus constructed to enlarge her upper lip with the result that she certainly looked her part the first night of Oil Island.

Maria is reticent as to what she will do after. However, she indicated that the beauty wizards will be able to fix her up again when she needs a change of features for another role.

**BRITISH LEGATION AT KABUL.****SERIOUS DAMAGE IN FIGHTING.****ONE EMPLOYEE KILLED.****[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]****NEW DELHI, Dec. 29th.**

The severity of the fighting round Kabul and the perilous position of the British Legation some time back, is revealed by news that not only was the house of the British Military Attaché destroyed by shellfire, but seven other buildings in the British Legation were struck and badly damaged.

Most of the windows in the Legation were smashed by rifle fire, and the occupants were in grave peril at the height of the combat. During the fighting, one Afghan employed at the Legation was killed, and two others were wounded.

The position was made much worse by the fact that some of the Belgierents actually availed themselves of the shelter of the Legation outbuildings, thus giving the impression to their opponents that they had occupied the Legation.

**Rebels Retire.**

By the retirement of the rebels to the north-west in the early hours of Christmas Day, the vicinity of the Legation became outside the fire zone.

The rebels have diverted the Salang River, which normally supplies Kabul with its hydro-electric power, thus depriving the Government factories of light and power. Kabul was soon afterwards thrown completely into darkness, and among the Government factories brought to a standstill was the Arsenal.

The loyal forces of the Afghanist ruler are now planning an attack which will enable them to counter this move.

**Leaders Negotiate.**

The Afghan Legation in London announces that King Amanullah's forces are resolutely pursuing the rebellious tribesmen in the Northern Province.

Severe engagements have also taken place round Jelalabad where Government troops are engaging the rebel Shinwaris. At the same time, negotiations with the Shinwaris leaders are proceeding. King Amanullah remains at his Palace in Kabul.

It is understood that the Indian authorities will provide the female refugees of the French, German and other nationalities, who have been evacuated by British aeroplanes from Kabul to Peshawar, with railway tickets to Bombay or Calcutta, and small advances of money.

Hitherto R.A.F. planes have rescued in all 68 women and children. They are attempting a further evacuation on Sunday.

**ENGLAND NOT PART OF EUROPE.****SIR AUSTEN CHALLENGED BY LORD MELCHETT.**

Lord Melchett, the head of Imperial Chemicals, Ltd., challenged the speech made by Sir Austen Chamberlain, on the eve of his return from Canada.

"I should like," said Lord Melchett, "to take an early opportunity of explaining his reported statement that England is part of Europe. I hope he was misreported, because I absolutely challenge that statement fundamentally. England is not part of Europe. England is part of the British Empire."

"Instead of turning our eyes to Geneva, we should turn our eyes to Ottawa and to Sydney. Instead of trying to placate a quarrelsome number of people on the Continent of Europe, with whom we have no concern, we should find together the great heritage of our Empire. If we only had courage to put a ring tariff fence round the Empire there is no single Free Trader in this country or in any other country who could oppose such a great extension of the free interchange of goods as that would ultimately involve."



## SATURDAY'S FOOTBALL RESULTS.

## CHINESE TEAMS BEAT THE MILITARY.

## HONG KONG F.C. SURPRISE AT KING'S PARK.

## LARGE CROWDS AT SOOKUNPOO AND HAPPY VALLEY.

Saturday's games in the Hong Kong League resulted as under. All the senior games were keenly contested and the results in doubt until the final whistle sounded in each game.

**Division I.**  
South China..... 1 Queen's Regt. 0  
China Athletic..... 2 K.O.S.B. 1  
Club de Recreio..... 2 H.K.F.C. 1

**Division II.**  
Queen's Regt...... 1 Kowloon F.C. 0  
Reserves..... 1 Reserves..... 0  
R.N. Reserves..... 1 Eastern F.C. 0  
R.A. Reserves..... 1 St. Joseph's..... 0  
China Athletic..... 1 Small Units..... 0  
Reserves..... 1 Reserves..... 0  
S. China..... 1 K.O.S.B. 0  
C. de Rec. Res..... 1 S. China..... 0

Saturday was the half-way mark in the League. Several teams are in arrears with their fixtures.

## LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

South China, by their win over the Queen's Regiment got to the head of the League table.

In the Junior Division, the K.O.S.B. by dropping a point against South China "A," are now bracketed with the Royal Navy at the top.

Division I.	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. P.	
South China..... 8 7 1 0 18 6 15	
Queen's Regt..... 9 7 0 2 24 9 14	
China Athletic..... 9 5 3 1 22 14 13	
H.K. Police..... 9 5 2 2 17 11 12	
R.A..... 9 5 0 1 15 13 12	
K.O.S.B..... 9 5 0 1 15 13 12	
Club de Rec..... 9 3 4 28 25 9	
Kowloon F.C..... 9 2 3 9 14 7	
H.K.F.C..... 9 2 2 6 14 30 8	
Royal Navy..... 9 2 1 7 14 19 5	
Small Units..... 9 0 0 0 3 37 0	

Division II.	Goals.
P. W. D. L. F. A. P.	
K.O.S.B. Res..... 10 8 1 1 52 9 17	
R.N. Reserves..... 10 8 1 1 47 11 17	
China Ath. Res..... 8 6 1 1 21 4 13	
Queen's Regt. Res..... 8 5 2 1 30 12 12	
S. China "B"..... 10 4 2 4 15 20 10	
Eastern F.C..... 10 3 3 4 17 21 9	
R.A.F..... 10 3 2 5 23 22 8	
S. China "A"..... 11 6 4 14 23 8	
R.A. Reserves..... 9 3 2 4 13 33 8	
C. de Rec. Res..... 11 3 2 6 14 38 8	
Small Units..... 13 2 2 3 7 15 40	
K.F.C. Res..... 10 2 3 5 10 33 7	
St. Joseph's..... 11 2 2 7 13 22 6	

## CHINA ATHLETIC v. K.O.S.B.

A large crowd witnessed the League game between the China Athletic and K.O.S.B. on the H.K. F.C. ground. For the K.O.S.B. Reeves was at right back in place of Gardner, Everest playing at centre-forward, while Genere was at right half back. Play opened in favour of China Athletic, but was very fast with little to choose between the teams.

After playing a blank first half, the K.O.S.B. took the lead when Everest received from Torrie and beat Chan Sik Pui.

This success stimulated the K.O.S.B. but the Athletic defence held out. A pass by Wong Shui Wah to the right gave Ng an opening and after hitting Reeves the ball came on to Sun Kun Shun who made no mistake. McDougall just reached the ball but failed to clear. In the next minute the ball was again in the net. The Athletic forced a corner and Chan Kwong Ju placing close in, Shek Pui Tim turned the ball into the net giving the Athletic the lead. The Chinese supporters rose in their seats and cheered wildly at this success. The K.O.S.B. tried hard for the equaliser but when the final whistle sounded the Athletic were leading by two goals to one.

The result was surprising after the way the K.O.S.B. had played. The two goals by the Athletic were well worthy of the side, but the K.O.S.B. could have stopped the ball from being unmarked to a corner kick. The goal by Sun Kun Shun followed a splendid effort on the part of Ng Kam Chuen.

## RECREIO v. CLUB.

An entertaining struggle was witnessed at King's Park on Saturday, the game which was packed with thrills, ended in a game sharing four goals.

The opening goal fell to the Club and was the result of a high dropping centre from Trambitsky which hovered over the goal line and was scrambled behind. The referee, after consultation with the linesmen, decided that the ball had crossed the line. Recreio quickly took up the running on regaining, and Brown, Rocha and Rosa Pereira all combined in a dangerous attack. This was stopped but later Recreio got clear through the Club defence, and scored through the Club defence.

## NEW YEAR'S DAY SPORT.

## CRICKET, FOOTBALL AND LAWN BOWLS.

A number of sporting fixtures have been arranged for to-morrow's holiday. These include friendly cricket matches, a Charity football match, lawn bowls and sports for children.

## Aitkenhead Shield.

The first annual bowls match between Hong Kong and Kowloon for the Aitkenhead Shield will be played on the Kowloon Bowling Green Club ground commencing at 2.30 p.m. Six rinks representing the Clubs on either side of the line will play each other. The result will be decided on the total of the six rinks and the trophy will be held until the following year by the oldest Club on the winning side.

Presentation of the trophy and distribution of souvenir spoons to the players who win on each rink will be made at the close of the match.

## Charity Football Match.

A good game is expected at the football match to be played at Sookunpoo between the Army and the Rest of the Colony in aid of the Ministering Children's League. Sir Shouson Chow will set the ball rolling at 3.30 p.m. The massed Drums of two Regiments will play from 2.45 p.m. A "Globe" football presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., will be raffled at half time. Those who pay for an admission ticket have also a chance of winning \$20 offered by a local firm.

## Friendly Cricket.

Among the friendly cricket matches are the following:—  
University Past v. Present;  
I.R.C. Captain v. Vice-Captain;  
Hong Kong C.C. v. Navy;  
Craigengower C.C. v. H.M.S. Hermes.

## Children's Sports.

The Kowloon Cricket Club are holding their annual sports for the children in the afternoon on their ground. A similar entertainment with a Christmas Tree laden with toys is in store for children at the Police Recreation Club.

Play deteriorated somewhat, and stoppages for minor infringements were too frequent. South China went ahead as the result of a clever bout of short passing. Cheung Chang Tak applying the finishing touch.

Recreio were, however, by no means done up and proceeded to set up a hot attack from which Santos again brought matters level.

Result:—  
Club de Recreio..... 2  
South China "B"..... 2

## QUEEN'S RESERVES v. KOWLOON RESERVES.

Played on the Chatham Road ground on Saturday, this 2nd Division match ended in an overwhelming victory for the Queen's by eight goals to two. The game was far too one-sided to make for much interest. The visitors, however, had the better of matters for the first fifteen minutes, and Angus should have saved several of the goals scored against them. Kowloon kicked off and a slip by Gasson early on let in King, who scored with a lofty shot. This success encouraged Kowloon, and Moss, who was playing a capable game at centre forward, received poor support.

At then became apparent that Queen's were the better trained team, and they proceeded to run Kowloon off their legs. Beatty opened the scoring, Harrison obtained the equaliser, and further goals were added by Beatty (2), Harrison, Mortimer (2) and Evans.

Result:—  
Queen's..... 8  
Kowloon..... 2

## R.A. RESERVES v. ST. JOSEPH'S.

This match at Sookunpoo, produced some interesting football, the fortunes of the teams fluctuating rapidly. St. Joseph's started off like winners, and clever work by the Leonards enabled Costello to score. The Gunners were not seen to advantage in the opening half.

Half-time: St. Joseph's 1; R.A. 0.  
A very even struggle ensued, both teams setting up strong attacks. R.A., being the more methodical team at this stage, St. Joseph's were able to increase their lead, however, when D. Leonard headed through a centre from Barros. Almost straight from the re-start Reed seized upon the ball and burst through the backs to score a clever goal, and an equaliser was not long in materialising. Taylor heading in after a stern struggle in which the St. Joseph's defence shone.

The closing stages were full of interest, both sides going all out for a decision, but the Gunners had rather more life left in them at the finish, and Taylor gave his side the victory with a beautiful first time effort.

Result:—  
R.A..... 3  
St. Joseph's..... 2

## SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

## KOWLOON BEAT THE NAVY.

## ONLY TWO JUNIOR LEAGUE MATCHES.

## SOME GOOD SOLO PERFORMANCES.

Although there were no Senior League games last Saturday, two interesting and heavy scoring Junior games were witnessed, the Hong Kong C.C. v. Club de Recreio and K.C.C. v. the Civil Service. The H.K.C.C. won in fine style, with 8 wickets to spare. Kowloon made 190 runs, but failed to dismiss the Civil Service batsmen in the required time, and had to share the points. Reid wrought havoc with the Recreio wickets.

E. F. Fincher practically won the game for Kowloon against the Navy, although Goodwin and Ross made short work of the Navy batsmen. Another solo effort was by Mr. A. E. Wood's 43 not out, for the Civil Service against the Navy. The Police badly missed Alexander in their match against the Chinese R.C., who made a creditable 133 runs. Incidentally, Yeoh and Kwan duplicated Goodwin's and Ross's feat, and ran through the Police wickets for the small total of 32 runs. Murdoch's contribution of 76 went far towards saving the Electric from defeat at the hands of the I.R.C., who batted well for 123 runs for 5 wickets. Murdoch hit fourteen boundaries, while Sirdar Khan took 4 wickets for 17 runs.

The "Services" Tussle.  
The "Ordnance Corps" and the "Service Corps" met at Sookunpoo. On both sides the bowling were good, individual performances being Corbett's 8 for 15 and Fry's 9 for 3. The "Ordnance Corps" managed to win by 4 runs.

## SECOND LEAGUE.

## HONG KONG C.C. v. CLUB DE RECREIO.

Playing on their own ground, the Hong Kong Cricket Club 2nd XI scored an easy victory over the Club de Recreio by eight wickets.

The visitors batted first, but failed against the Club's bowling and were dismissed for a low score of 37 runs. J. E. Noronha (20) was the only batsman to make a stand.

Reid took 4 wickets for 14 runs. G. P. Lammett commenced well for the "Club," and hit up 38 runs, followed by a contribution of 48 runs by W. W. L. Stanion and 17 runs by R. H. D. Wade. The home team passed their opponents' score for the loss of two wickets, and went on to make 148 runs. Alves was the best bowler for Recreio and took 6 wickets for 41 runs.

Scores:—  
Hong Kong C.C. .... 148  
Club de Recreio ..... 37

## K.C.C. 2nd v. C.S.C.C. 2nd.

The Kowloon C.C. 2nd XI drew with the C.S.C.C. 2nd XI at Kowloon.

The home team commenced well with a contribution of 69 runs by N. A. E. Mackay. A. R. F. Raven made a brilliant 57 runs and G. Lee 42 not out. The side declared at 180 runs for three wickets.

The C.S.C.C. replied with 105 runs for six wickets, Paterson being top scorer with 39 runs. H. F. Willmott 30 runs, and W. H. Edmonds 20 runs. On a batsman's wicket the bowling on both sides was expensive.

Scores:—  
K.C.C. 2nd XI: 180 runs for 3 wickets declared.  
C.S.C.C. 2nd XI: 105 runs for 6 wickets.

## FRIENDLY MATCHES.

## KOWLOON C.C. v. ROYAL NAVY.

Playing at King's Park, the Kowloon C.C. 1st XI defeated the Royal Navy by eight wickets.

The Navy batted first, but were dismissed for the small total of 68 runs. Pay-Comdr. E. C. Annabain being top scorer with 14 runs.

Goodwin and Ross formed the battery for Kowloon. Goodwin taking 5 wickets for 26 runs, while Ross took 5 for 24 runs.

Kowloon replied with 118 runs for 8 wickets, of which E. F. Fincher made 67 runs, a big part in the victory of his side. Annabain took 3 wickets for 18 runs.

Scores:—  
K.C.C. 1st XI: 118 runs for 8 wickets.  
Royal Navy: 68 runs.

## UNIVERSITY v. C.S.C.C. 1st XI.

Playing at Pokfulam the University drew with the Civil Service C.C.

The University made 115 runs, Lee and Anderson, the opening batsmen, giving their side a good start with 43 runs for the first wicket. Hawkins bowled well and took 3 wickets for 16 runs.

## TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

## BROADCAST BY G.O.W.

## ON 360 METRES.

1.45 p.m.—Weather Report.  
2.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m.—Demonstration Programme, Chinese and European Music.  
7.45 p.m.—Evening Weather Report.  
8 p.m. to 10.30 p.m.—Evening Programme. (Victor Records).

A. E. Wood's contribution of 43 not out saved his side from defeat, as no other member of the team succeeded in getting into double figures. Holdman stayed in, and time was called with the total at 94 runs for 7 wickets. A. T. Lee took 4 wickets for 23 runs.

## CHINESE R.C. v. POLICE R.C.

On their own ground, at Causeway Bay, the Chinese R.C. defeated the Police R.C. by 101 runs. The Chinese batted in fine style and declared at 133 runs for 8 wickets. C. Choa (39) and H. Ching (97) being best contributors. King took 4 wickets for 38 runs, and Shepherd took 2 for 18 runs.

Yeoh and Kwan quickly ran through the Police batsmen dismissing them for 32 runs. Yeoh took 5 wickets for 14 runs and Kwan took 4 wickets for 14 runs.

Scores:—  
Chinese R.C.: 133 runs for 8 wickets declared.  
Police R.C.: 32 runs.

## ELECTRIC R.C. v. I.R.C. 2nd.

Crossing over to Kowloon the I.R.C. 2nd XI drew with the Electric R.C., both sides making heavy scores.

The Electric R.C. opened the game, and Gahagan commenced well with 20 runs, W. N. H. Murdoch following with a forcible 76, out of the whole side's 147 runs. Sirdar Khan took 4 wickets for 17 runs, and Rahmin took 4 for 21 runs.

The Indians replied with 123 runs for 3 wickets. A. Butt (11) and R. Nazarin (22) gave the side a good start and U. T. Thad (18 not out) and A. K. Minu (31 not out) also batted well. Way took 3 wickets for 30 runs, and Banks accounted for 2 wickets for 25 runs.

Scores:—  
Electric R.C.: 147 runs.  
I.R.C. 2nd XI: 123 runs for 5 wickets.

## R.A.S.C. v. R.A.O.C.

Playing at Sookunpoo the Royal Army Service Corps were defeated by the Royal Army Ordnance Corps by one wicket.

The "Service Corps" batted first but were dismissed for a small total of 66 runs. No batsman succeeded in getting into double figures. Corbett and Exhem shared the bowling honours. Corbett took 8 wickets for 15 runs, and Exhem took 2 wickets for 12 runs.

The "Ordnance Corps" started badly, the opening batsmen being dismissed for nil. The side slowly rallied, and Moeck made 18 runs, and Corpl. Donaldson contributed 12 runs. Pte. Mark the last man, made 9 not out, the opponents score being passed by four runs. Fry took 9 wickets for 31 runs, and Simpson took the other for 18 runs.

Scores:—  
R.A.O.C. .... 60  
R.A.S.C. .... 66

## VOLUNTEERS v. K.C.C.

The following will represent the Volunteers against the K.C.C. at 11 a.m. sharp on K.C.C. ground on Sunday, January 8th:—

E. J. R. Mitchell (captain), H. Owen Hughes, A. W. Hayward, F. Baker, H. V. Parker, G. B. Vallack, A. Reid, E. B. West, H. F. L. Ewin, G. E. B. Divett, and R. H. D. Wade.

## NEXT OPPONENT FOR DEMPEY?

## STIRLING-SHARKEY BOUT.

[KUTNER'S AMERICAN SERVICE]  
MIAMI, Dec. 28th.

Mr. Tex Rickard announces that Young, Stirling and Sharkey have signed to meet in a heavy-weight bout on February 27th. The winner will probably contest the championship with Dempsey.

## THE THIRD TEST MATCH.

## BRILLIANCE AFTER BAD START.

## TWO CENTURIES.

The Third Test Match opened at Melbourne in brilliant weather before a crowd of 3,000. Ryder won the toss and sent in Woodfull and Richardson to face the bowling of Tate and Larwood. The start was inauspicious, for Richardson was caught at the wicket with only 5 runs on the board, and Woodfull poked up a simple catch to Jardine, in the gully from a rising ball only 10 runs later.

Hendry and Kippax then played steadily, and Kippax with an on drive for 4 sent up the 50 after 70 minutes' play. Seven runs later Hendry was taken in the gully by Jardine, and Ryder only just missed sharing the same fate off the next ball. Lunch was taken with the score at 63 for 3 wickets, Kippax having scored 27 and Ryder 2.

Huge Crowds.  
The crowd had swelled to 58,000 after lunch, and the ground was a wonderful sight. It was packed to capacity and hundreds had encroached on the grass, so that the umpires were forced to request them to move back.

The bowling had lost something that it had before lunch, and the score crept up. Ryder reached his 50 in 108 minutes, at which point Kippax was 69. The score stood at 155 for 3 at tea time.

A world's record crowd of 63,000 saw Kippax reach his 100 in 212 minutes. Two balls later he hit out at a long hop, and Jardine brought off a well-judged catch at long leg. His innings was marked by magnificent cutting and driving and he hit nine 4's.

Bradman then joined Ryder and they added 58 runs before close of play. Ryder, who showed excellent footwork and was driving powerfully, reached his 100 in 208 minutes and was still undefeated at the end.

Score:—  
Australia—1st Innings.

W. M. Woodfull, c Jardine, b Tate..... 7  
V. J. Richardson, c Duckworth, b Larwood..... 3  
H. L. Hendry, c Jardine, b Larwood..... 23  
A. F. Kippax, c Jardine, b Larwood..... 100  
J. S. Ryder, not out..... 111  
D. Bradman, not out..... 93  
Extras..... 6

Total (for 4 wickets)..... 276  
C. V. Grimmett, D. D. J. Blackie, R. M. Oxenham, E. L. A. Beckett, W. A. Oldfield to bat.  
Fall of the wickets:—  
1/5; 2/15; 3/57; 4/218.

## LOCAL COMPOSERS.

## INTERESTING CONCERT TO BE GIVEN AT H.M. INSTITUTE.

A concert of particular interest is to be given at 5.30 p.m. on January 15th at the Helena May Institute. The programme which has been arranged by Madame Bonenfant is made up of works by local composers, and it is the first time that a concert of this description has been given in the Colony.

The programme will be as follows:—

- (1) Variations and Fugue on a theme of Beethoven for two pianos..... Harry Ore.
- (2) Three Songs..... A. M. Bowes-Smith.
- (3) Piano Transcriptions of Chinese Songs..... Harry Ore.
- (4) Elegie for Cello and Piano..... Mr. Harry Ore.
- (5) M. and Madame Bonenfant.
- (6) (a) Three Preludes for Piano..... Lt.-Col. P. A. Cardew.
- (b) Barcarolle..... Capt. Macmaur.
- (c) Trio in A minor for Piano, Violin and Cello..... Lt.-Col. P. A. Cardew.
- (d) Madame Bonenfant, Capt. Macmaur and M. Bonenfant.

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Hong Kong Observatory, Dec. 30th.

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Barometer... 30.13 30.09 30.03

Thermometer... 61 60 63

Humidity... 66 69 74

Wind... E E ENE

Direction... S O O

Force... 0 4 0

Weather... 0 0 0

Rain... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 29th: 63

Lowest open-air Temperature, 31st: 60

B-Blue sky; C-Cloudy; D-Drizzle; F-Fog; L-Lightning; M-Mist; O-Overcast; P-Passing showers; Q-Qualls; R-Rain; T-Thunder

## HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

LEADERS IN THE ENGLISH LEAGUE CHECKED.

CHELSEA AGAIN TAKE THE LEAD.

LOW SCORING IN SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Leaders in all divisions of the English League were checked on Saturday. Stockport in the Northern Section retain the leading place although they were defeated. The other leaders all dropped one point. Chelsea have ousted Middlesbrough from the top of the Second Division, while Plymouth in the Southern Section drop down in favour of Fulham. Home teams won 28 matches and were beaten by the visitors in eight matches, 22 being drawn. The total number of goals scored in the 44 matches amounted to 171 of which 104 went to the Home teams.

Scoring was low as compared with the mid-week matches. The highest aggregate registered were a 4-0 victory for Wolverhampton over Port Vale in the Second Division, 5-1 for Queen's Park Rangers over Torquay in the Southern Section, and 4-0 for Wigan Wanderers against Lincoln the points all going to the home teams. Millwall, as visitors, beat Notts County by the odd goal in nine. Southampton and Bournemouth shared eight goals.

Arsenal drew with Sheffield Wednesday, the leaders, each side scoring two goals. Blackburn defeated Derby County and now follow the leaders. The two teams at the top of the Second Division did not do well and the Pensioners went above them on a goal victory at Swansea. Plymouth lost the premier place in the Southern Section in a draw with Merthyr and the victory of Fulham over Gillingham. Trammere, at home, gained a narrow victory over Stockport, leaders in the other Section. Wrexham's defeat sent them a step lower, Bradford City being now in the second position. Lincoln failed to follow up the advantage gained in mid-week when they gained the points with a heavy score.

A feature of the Scottish League matches was the usual addition of the points by the Rangers. Partick Thistle, at home, had a 3-1 victory over Raith Rovers. Changes in the League table were few. Results of Saturday's matches and revised League tables follow:—

[THROUGH BETTER'S AGENCY.]

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Arsenal... 2 Wednesday... 2

Aston Villa... 1 Leeds U... 0

Blackburn... 3 Derby... 0

Bury... 2 Liverpool... 0

Cardiff... 2 Newcastle... 0

Everton... 3 Bolton... 0

Huddersfield... 3 Portsmouth... 1

Leicester... 2 Manchester U... 1

Manchester C... 2 Birmingham... 1

Sheffield U... 3 West Ham... 1

Sunderland... 2 Burnley... 1

Home wins 7, away wins 1, drawn 3.

Goals scored: Home 23, away 14.

DIVISION II.

Blackpool... 3 Preston... 2

Bradford... 2 Barnsley... 3

Clapton... 0 West Brom... 0

Grimsby... 3 Bristol C... 0

Middlesbrough... 0 Reading... 0

Notts C... 4 Millwall... 5

Oldham... 3 Tottenham... 1

Southampton... 1 Hull... 1

Stoke... 1 Notts For... 1

Swansea... 0 Chelsea... 1

Wolves... 4 Port Vale... 0

Home wins 6, away wins 3, drawn 2.

Goals scored: Home 23, away 17.

DIVISION III (Southern).

Brighton... 1 Luton... 0

Bristol R... 1 Swindon... 4

Charlton... 3 Northampton... 1

Charlton... 2 Brentford... 0

Fulham... 4 Gillingham... 2

Merthyr... 3 Plymouth... 0

Norwich... 3 Coventry... 0

Queen's P.R... 5 Torquay... 1

Southend... 4 Bournemouth... 4

Walsall... 3 Newport... 0

Watford... 3 Crystal Pal... 3

Home wins 8, away wins 2, drawn 3.

Goals scored: Home 31, away 21.

DIVISION III (Northern).

Ashington... 1 Southport... 2

Barrow... 0 New Brighton... 0

Carlisle... 4 Accrington... 0

Chesterfield... 3 Wrexham... 1

Crewe... 3 Halifax... 0

Doncaster... 4 Rochdale... 2

Nelson... 1 Hartlepool... 0

Rotherham... 2 Bradford C... 2

South Shields... 2 Darlington... 3

## THE FRENCH WAR BUDGET.

STILL NERVOUS ABOUT GERMANY.

"THE NEXT WAR."

Paris, Nov. 20th.

The debate on the French War Budget, shows that when the French Government signed the pact outlawing war, they did so with many mental reservations.

Facts and figures have been hurled across the floor of the Chamber. There have been attacks and counter-attacks; allegations of "lies" and "faked" figures have been made.

To The Next War.

But standing out like a signpost marking the road to the next war are the indisputable facts that France at present has an army of 647,000 men—strong as pre-war—and that she is spending one-fourth of her total budget on the War Budget.

Another startling fact is that France is going to stay on the Rhine until she has built the fortresses which are intended to hold back a German army. France's apparently, despite the assurances given to her by Great Britain at Locarno, does not think our promises worth much.

M. Paul Painleve, the Minister of War, is a philosopher and a mathematician who was caught up in war politics and became Premier. He is a pacifist at heart, and only a few months ago he was suggesting that the Ministry of War was the Ministry of National Defence, he stood up and said he was all in favour of heavy artillery and machine guns.

Ex-War Minister.

The new "Rapporteur" of the war Budget is M. Jean Fabry, one of M. Painleve's closest friends, a former Minister of War and now proprietor of the Parisian "Intransigeant". M. Fabry was intransigent himself last night. He said that if France went to war with Germany, France—if and when service is reduced to one year—could mobilise only 240,000 men immediately, whereas Germany could mobilise quite legitimately a total of 210,000, which could be increased to 450,000 if Germany recalled to the colours men just released from service.

"France, therefore," said M. Fabry, "must not wait for three or four weeks before she can mobilise all her effectives, but must be able to mobilise at once."

Frontier Troops.

M. Fabry also advocated reducing the number of divisions and placing the troops nearer to the frontier, meaning the German frontier. Finally, he declared that he was in no hurry to see the Rhine evacuated, as France had not yet built her new line of fortresses.

"Our occupation," he declared, "would eventually make our fighting line on this river (the Rhine), and Germany would not risk having to fight on such a strategic line."

The extraordinary debate has caused little comment in French newspapers, but extracts from the German newspapers which have been "cabled here show that Germany is in despair.

FUTURE OF THE BRITISH LEGION.

SIR FREDERICK MAURICE ON POPPY DAY RESULT.

Major-General Sir Frederick Maurice opening a new club and headquarters costing £2,000 for Harrow British Legion, announced that, from returns at present available, it seemed probable that the amount raised on Poppy Day last year would be exceeded this year by ten to fifteen per cent.

It was ten years since the war ended, he continued, and the British Legion must look to the future. They must avoid becoming a narrow and self-centred organisation. They had to perpetuate in the life of the nation the spirit of service which carried the country through the Great War.

Sir Frederick said he would like to see the British Legion taking an active interest in the Boy Scout movement, and suggested that wherever possible, a troop of Scouts might be attached to the local branch of the Legion.

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Porthos, March 12th.

Nippon Yusen Kaisha

Sawa Maru, Jan. 8th.

Tenyo Maru, to-day.

Kamakura Maru, Jan. 4th.

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Asuta Maru, Jan. 11th.

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Korea Maru, Feb. 4th.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 1st January, 1929, will be subject to Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 31st December, 1928, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

All claims must be presented on or before the 14th January, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter.

JERSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, 26th Dec., 1928. [7147]

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THE Steamship "MAIN"

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No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson & Ash, at 10 a.m. on the 31st of December, 1928.



# CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 1st Jan.	3 p.m.
WANGHAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KUBICKI" W	On 1st Jan.	4 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"ANKING"	On 1st Jan.	4 p.m.
HOIHOW, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KWEIYANG"	On 2nd Jan.	Noon
SHANGHAI	"HUPSE"	On 2nd Jan.	3 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	On 3rd Jan.	10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"CHINKIANG"	On 4th Jan.	8 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUWANG"	On 5th Jan.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & DALNY	"KALGAN"	On 6th Jan.	11 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"ANHUI"	On 6th Jan.	4 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SHANTUNG"	On 8th Jan.	3 p.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI & SINGAPORE	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 13th Jan.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 13th Jan.	11 a.m.
HAIPHONG, HOIHOW & BANGKOK	"CHINHUA"	On 13th Jan.	Noon
WANGHAI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 5th Feb.	4 p.m.

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ATHOS II ... 15th Jan., "	SPHINX ... 15th Jan., "
D'ARTAGNAN ... 29th Jan., "	G. METZINGER ... 29th Jan., "
SPHINX ... 12th Feb., "	JUL. CROAT ... 12th Feb., "
G. METZINGER ... 26th Feb., "	ANDRE LEBON ... 26th Feb., "
PAUL LEBON ... 12th Mar., "	PORTHOS ... 12th Mar., "
ANDRE LEBON ... 26th Mar., "	CHENONCEAUX ... 26th Mar., "
PORTHOS ... 9th Apr., "	ATHOS II ... 9th Apr., "

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## Shipping News Arrivals and Departures, etc.

### ARRIVALS.

December 28th.  
Noviken, Norwegian str., 1,779 tons, Capt. R. Fensen, from Bangkok, which port she left on December 20th, with 2,650 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A27—Wallen & Co.  
Rangoon Maru, Japanese str., 5,050 tons, Capt. H. Itanes, from Yokohama and Moji. The latter port she left on December 24th, with 4,900 tons of general cargo and matches, lying at Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.  
Takaoka Maru, Japanese str., 3,397 tons, Capt. M. Mitani, from Hoilo, which port she left on December 25th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4—N.Y.K.

December 29th.  
Vestland, Norwegian str., 1,139 tons, Capt. A. Knutsen, from Samarinda, which port she left on December 21st, lying at Stonecutters—J.C.J.L.

December 30th.  
Ceylon, Swedish str., 3,287 tons, Capt. R. W. Ahlberg, from Singapore, which port she left on December 22nd, with 1,015 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—Gillman & Co.  
Duisburg, German str., 4,374 tons, Capt. H. Eckhorn, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 28th, lying at buoy No. A3—J.C.J.L.  
Haldia, British str., 1,144 tons, Capt. C. Boyce, from Hoilow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C43—W. Fat Shing.

Hubro, Norwegian str., 1,033 tons, Capt. H. Haagenen, from Samarinda, which port she left on December 20th, with 30 tons of timber, 85 tons of general cargo and 520 tons of coal, lying at Stonecutters—K. Larsen & Co.  
Hydranga, British str., 516 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with 203 tons of general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. A. F. Summerfield, from Swatow, with 385 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C37—B. & S.  
Lushan Maru, Japanese str., 1,507 tons, Capt. T. Yasukawa, from Swatow, with 5 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C19—N.Y.K.

Menado Maru, Japanese str., 1,284 tons, Capt. S. Sma, from Pakhoi, with a general cargo, lying at O.S.K. Wharf—O.S.K.

Panama, Danish str., 7,376 tons, Capt. F. Vaering, from Singapore, which port she left on December 23rd, with 1,160 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A29—John Manners & Co.  
President Wilson, American str., 8,318 tons, Capt. T. E. Anderson, from Boston, which port she left on November 2nd, with 566 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Dollar S.S. Line.

Rantau, Pandjang, Dutch str., 1,501 tons, Capt. J. Hildernisse, from Sourabaya, which port she left on December 13th, with 1,501 tons of coal, lying at buoy No. A27—J.C.J.L.

Sunning, British str., 1,570 tons, Capt. R. Robertson, from Swatow, with 770 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12—B. & S.

### CLEARANCES.

December 29th.  
Bengkalis, for Singapore.  
Ceylon, for Shanghai.  
Chip Shing, for Swatow.  
Daviken, for Swatow.  
Duisburg, for Manila.  
Hellas, for Swatow.  
Hozan Maru, for Swatow.  
Hubro, for Canton.  
Kueichow, for Canton.  
Panama, for Shanghai.  
Rangoon Maru, for Singapore.  
Soochow, for Swatow.  
Sunning, for Canton.  
Tai Fook Sing, for Saigon.  
Tai Lee, for Tientsin.  
Takaoka Maru, for Shanghai.  
Wing Lee, for Kwang Chow Wan.  
Yenjun Maru, for Dairen.

December 30th.  
Hupch, for Canton.  
Hydranga, for Swatow.  
Luchow, for Shanghai.  
Lushan Maru, for Canton.  
Svale, for Singapore.  
Tamba Maru, for Shanghai.  
Teau, for Hoilow.

Svale, Norwegian str., 1,354 tons, Capt. P. J. Stelen, from Swatow, lying at buoy No. C42—Lee Fat Co.  
Tijisalak, Dutch str., 3,613 tons, Capt. P. Abbo, from Batavia, which port she left on December 22nd, with 2,046 tons of sugar and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A5—J.C.J.L.  
Wong Shek Kung, Chinese str., 1,044 tons, Capt. J. Hurring, from Saigon, with 1,900 tons of rice, lying at buoy No. C43—Kung Chung & Co.

Yat Shing, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. P. Jowett, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

December 30th.  
Atrous, British str., 6,728 tons, Capt. T. G. Wilkinson, from United Kingdom and Continent via Penang and Singapore. The last mentioned port she left on December 24th, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf—B. & S.

Hai Yang, British str., 1,363 tons, Capt. W. C. Erwin, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.  
Halvard, British str., 1,317 tons, Capt. Shearer, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C44—Chau Yue Teng.

Hupch, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. J. Maley, from Swatow, with 25 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14—B. & S.

Kwong Sang, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. A. D. Kelen, from Tientsin, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf—Jardine, Matheson & Co.  
Limchow, French str., 1,410 tons, Capt. Morganti, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C42—Sing Kee Co.  
Luchow, British str., 1,221 tons, Capt. R. Umpleby, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C37—B. & S.

Tamba Maru, Japanese str., 3,553 tons, Capt. E. Harada, from Singapore, which port she left on December 22nd, with 30 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A1—N.Y.K.

Yuan Lee, Chinese str., 1,601 tons, Capt. A. Krinkle, from Swatow, with 1,800 tons of rice and meal, lying at buoy No. B38—Yuen Sing Fat.

### PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.  
Per s.s. Atrous, on December 30th—Mr. and Mrs. Doyle, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Raiton, and Mr. Randale.  
The following passengers arrived on December 28th by the s.s. President Wilson: Mr. Joseph M. Baylis, Mrs. Chan Hwai Nin, Mrs. S. N. Chang, Dr. Siang Mow Chang, Mr. Cheng Kuei Sang, Ng Cheuk Yw, Chiu Poi Shan, Mr. Frank Chow, Mr. Cuvillier, Mr. Mortimer H. Dodge, Dow Qwi Ling, Mrs. Violet Duxon, Mr. Frederick C. Duxon, Mr. Frank M. Fattedad, Mr. Stuart J. Fuller, Fung Kau Yun, Mr. Sydney Greenbie, Mrs. T. M. Gregory, Mr. Henry L. Hoffmann, Mrs. Sarah R. Hoffmann, Mr. Arthur H. Hogan, Hu Ching Nin, Mr. C. S. Hwang, Mr. Henry E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Lai Kwong Tsun, Mrs. Lai Hoi Shan, Mr. and Mrs. Lam Ket, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wan, Lui Man Sing, Mr. De Witt P. Rosenheim, Sih Pak Sing Sang, Sih Yong Man Sui, Mr. S. Thimuray, Mr. Tse Tsok Kai, Mrs. Wan Choi, Mr. Wan Choi, Mr. Herbert L. Ward, Mr. T. B. Wilson, Mr. De Witt H. Wolfe, Mr. D. C. Yang, Young Kum, You Man Sue, Yu Che.

Departures.  
The following passengers left by the s.s. Katori Maru for Europe on December 29th:—H.E. Sir and Lady M. A. de Brinall Festosa, Dr. and Mrs. J. Moreira, Mr. Y. Yano, Miss Y. Sato, Mr. P. H. Stocker, Mr. N. Tsuchiya, Mr. S. Kikurawa, Mr. R. Inai, Mr. M. Soda, Mr. Y. Kumagai, Mr. T. Ninomiya, Mr. S. Nishihara, Mr. and Mrs. S. Wentenden, Mrs. M. E. Badger, Mrs. E. B. Barker, Mr. Richard Pensoy, Miss Obbi H. Newton, Miss Elsie D. Newton, Mr. C. Yamada, Mr. T. Hata, Mr. N. Yoshida, Miss Lari Solf, H.E. Dr. Wilhelm Solf, Miss Pelerin, Mr. J. L. Noest, Miss E. Vincent, Miss C. Riser, Miss D. Lamb, Miss Clara Gichard, Mrs. E. D. Buchanan, Miss M. Buchanan, Master H. Buchanan, Miss J. Buchanan, Miss H. Yamagami, Mr. and Mrs. Ke Yokoi, Mrs. Y. Yoshihara, Mrs. H. Kaide, Mrs. P. Matsumami, Mr. A. Y. Ebling, Mrs. M. Hitomi, Mr. A. J. Kasmani, Miss S. Marie, Miss J. Vedovati, Mrs. N. O. Gay, Miss Y. Osaki, Miss M. Osaki, Mr. F. Storr, Mr. Lee Hwie Podner, Sister C. Barroa, Sister Florence Rodriguez, Mr. J. Wada, Mr. E. Garrie, Mr. R. Fukuda, Mr. M. Tsuda, Mr. T. Takagi, Mrs. A. P. Pereira, Mr. J. A. Patter, Mr. J. Ohkenchi, Mr. P. Kurose, Mrs. T. Ohhashi, Miss A. Hinderzegen, Mr. H. Lachy, Mr. R. Jones, Mr. K. Wakita, Mrs. Wakita.

### PROTEST BY CUNARD LINE.

ILLEGAL ACTION BY U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

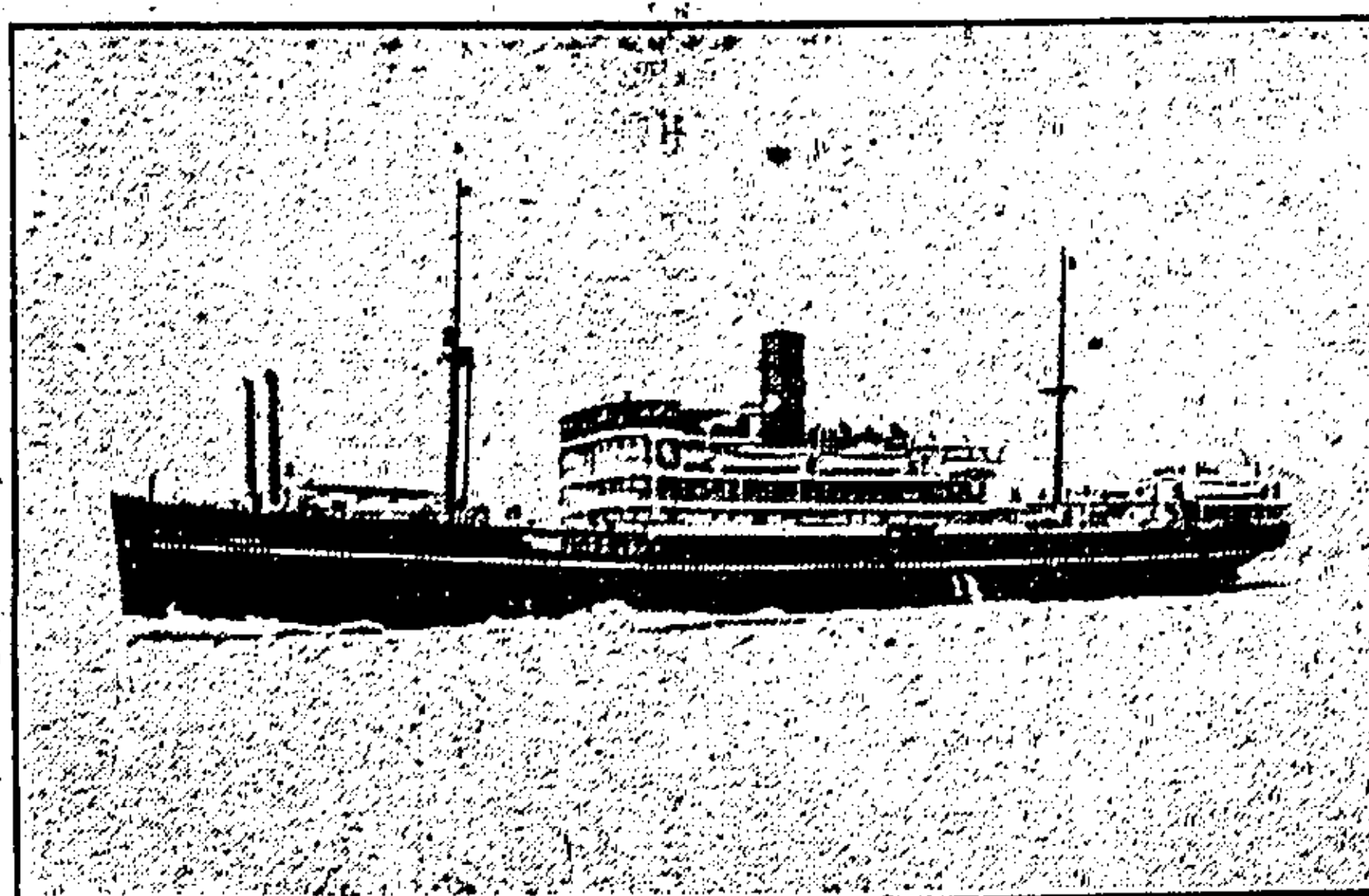
New York, Dec. 28th.  
The Associate Director of the Cunard Line has protested to the United States Shipping Board that the assignment of the s.s. President Roosevelt to the Havana Line, in competition with the Cunard Company, violates the United States shipping law of 1910.  
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To	Steamship	Date
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OSAKA via AMOI, SHAL, MOJI & KOBE	"KUMSANG" "FOOKSANG"	Wed., 2nd Jan., at 7 a.m. Thurs., 10th Jan., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"NAMSANG" "KUTSANG"	Fri., 4th Jan., at 3 p.m. Wed., 9th Jan., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG" "HINSANG"	Mon., 14th Jan., at 10 a.m. Fri., 18th Jan., at 3 p.m.
CANTON	"KWONGSANG"	Tues., 1st Jan., at 9 p.m.

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Motor Vessel "GLENBARRY"	(via Oran)	3rd April, 1929

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Steamship "CARDIGANSHIRE"	21st Jan., 1929
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EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Jan. 9	Jan. 13	Jan. 15	Jan. 17	Jan. 25
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Jan. 31	Feb. 9
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Feb. 13	Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 21	Mar. 2
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Mar. 8	Mar. 12	Mar. 14	Mar. 16	Mar. 23
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 23	Mar. 26	Mar. 28	Apr. 6
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	Apr. 10	Apr. 13	Apr. 16	Apr. 18	Apr. 27
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	May 5	May 8	May 11	May 13	May 21
EMPERESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	June 1
EMPERESS OF FRANCE	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	June 21
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	June 20	June 23	June 26	June 28	July 7
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## Shipping News

Week-End Statement, Waterfront  
News, Vessels Expected, etc.

WEEK-END FREIGHT  
RETURNS.

HEAVY CARGOES FOR  
SATURDAY.

YESTERDAY'S RETURNS  
MODERATE.

The general cargo returns during the week-end were satisfactory. Both local imports and through freights showed heavy totals. Saturday's figures were very good, especially through cargo, but a decrease was shown the next day, and the cargo returns were only moderate.

Thirty-eight arrivals and forty departures were shown of which ten arrivals and eleven departures were British.

## Saturday's Statement.

Twenty arrivals and nineteen departures were shown for the period ending at 9 a.m. on Saturday of which three arrivals and seven departures were British. British contributions to both the imports and through cargo were low. Through cargo by foreign vessels showed an average of over 4,000 tons per vessel.

Fifteen vessels discharged 13,573 tons of general merchandise for Hong Kong, of which 503 tons were contributed by one British ship.

The best returns were shown by the s.s. Michael Jenson (Danish) with 2,788 tons of rice and general cargo from Bangkok and Hoihow and the s.s. Norviken (Norwegian) from Bangkok with 2,650 tons of rice.

Through freights showed a very heavy total of 38,307 tons. One British ship contributed 118 tons. The two best carriers were the s.s. Duisburg (German) from Kobe and Shanghai with 9,400 tons, and the s.s. Panama (Norwegian) from Copenhagen and Singapore.

## Yesterday's Figures.

The general cargo returns for the period ending at 9 a.m. yesterday were only moderate. Cargo for this port showed a heavy decrease, but through cargo though lower than the previous day, was well above the average. British contributions showed an improvement but were not heavy. Of the eighteen arrivals and twenty-one departures, seven arrivals and four departures were British.

Imports from fifteen ships amounted to 7,823 tons, of which 917 tons were contributed by six British vessels.

The s.s. Tjialak (Dutch) had 2,842 tons of sugar from Batavia, and the s.s. Yuan Lee (Chinese) from Saigon and Swatow had 1,800 tons of general merchandise.

Cargo carried through for ports beyond amounted to 18,764 tons. Of the thirteen carriers, five British ships showed 3,342 tons. The s.s. Ceylon (Swedish) had the heaviest cargo, 5,600 tons from Gothenburg and Singapore, followed by the s.s. Tjialak (Dutch) from Sourabaya with 3,368 tons of sugar.

## Details Of Freights.

During the week-end thirty vessels discharged a total of 21,389 tons of general cargo for Hong Kong, of which seven were British ships contributed 1,122 tons. Cargo for through ports amounted to 66,991 tons, and of the twenty-one carriers, six were British and showed 3,355 tons.

(Continued on next Column).

DAILY WATERFRONT  
NEWS.

DERELICT JUNKS REPORTED.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

During the week-end heavy seas and moderate gales were reported by vessels which arrived in port, and there were two reports of derelict junks and one of a drifting bell buoy.

The master of the s.s. Michael Jenson, which arrived here from Bangkok and Hoihow reports a drifting light or bell-buoy in Lat. 14° 10' N., and Long. 109° 22' E. on December 28th at 11.30 a.m. The s.s. Sunning arriving from Taingtao and Swatow reports a derelict junk at Lat. 22° 35' N., and Long. 118° 11' E., and the master of the s.s. Chekiang reported that he observed on December 28th at 1.33 p.m. in Lat. 22° 25' N., and Long. 115° 11' E., a derelict junk floating bottom up. It is probable that both reports refer to the same derelict as the bearings are the same in either case.

## Rough Seas Reported.

The master of the s.s. Malacca Maru arriving here from Calcutta and Singapore reports having encountered a strong gale, and rough seas. The vessel shipped a great deal of water on her deck.

## Death On Dutch Steamer.

The s.s. Tjialak (Dutch) arriving from Sourabaya and Batavia reports the death of a passenger from pulmonary tuberculosis.

## Atlantic Deck Passengers.

Eighteen vessels brought 2,133 Atlantic deck passengers to the Colony during the week-end.

## New Dutch Arrival.

The s.s. Rantian Pandjang (Dutch) arrived here yesterday from Sourabaya and Stagen on her first visit to this port. The vessel is owned by the Koninklyk Paket. Maatschappij of Holland and Batavia, and the Java-China-Japan Line are the local agents.

The vessel was built in 1921 by the Gebr. Pot. Bolnes, and has a net tonnage of 1,500 tons. Her engines develop 1,500 H.P. The dimensions are: Length 300 feet, Beam 48.3 feet, and Depth 30.6 feet. Capt. J. Hildemasse is in command with a crew of 61, of whom 9 are Dutch.

## SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The B.I. and Apcar Line's s.s. Santhia left Singapore for this port on the afternoon of the 27th inst., and is due here on January 2nd in the afternoon.

## SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise	Sunset
To-day	7.03 a.m.	5.49 p.m.
To-morrow	7.03	5.50
Wednesday	7.03	5.51

## Arrivals And Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dep.
British	10	11
German	3	4
French	1	2
Danish	2	0
Norwegian	6	3
Japanese	6	10
Chinese	1	1
American	1	0
Swedish	1	0
Dutch	2	0
Total	38	40

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"MANTUA"	10,948	5th Jan., 1929	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALIAN"	9,144	18th Jan.	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"ALPINE"	8,472	24th Jan.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOREA"	10,953	3rd Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	7th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th Feb.	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"MACDONIA"	11,130	2nd Mar.	Marseilles and London.
"PADUA"	5,907	8th Mar.	Mars., London, Ayr, B'ham, H'bo
"KILWA"	9,135	18th Mar.	Marseilles, London and Hull.
"KHYBER"	9,114	18th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
"MALWA"	10,980	28th Mar.	S'hai, Mars., & London.
"NADDERA"	18,688	18th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"KARALA"	9,133	20th Apr.	Marseilles and London.
"MANTUA"	10,948	27th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KASHMIR"	8,886	11th May	Marseilles and London.
"MOREA"	10,953	20th May	Bombay, Marseilles and London.
"KALIAN"	9,144	30th June	Marseilles and London.
"RAJPUTANA"	16,568	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles & L'lon.

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"TALMA"	10,000	8th Jan., 1929	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"SANTHIA"	7,754	28th Jan.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,008	8th Feb.	do.
"TAKLIWA"	7,388	18th Feb.	do.
"TAKADA"	8,949	18th Feb.	do.
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"ARAFURA"	6,000	1st Feb., 1929	Munda, Sandakan, Thursday
"TANDA"	8,558	1st Mar.	Island, Townsville, Brisbane
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	30th Mar.	Sydney and Melbourne.

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## SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"ALPPORE"	5,373	4th Jan. 5 p.m.	Moji & Kobe.
"SANTHIA"	7,754	4th Jan. 1929.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
"MOREA"	10,953	4th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	7th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ham.
"TILAWA"	10,008	14th Jan.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"PADUA"	5,907	18th Jan.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"TAKLIWA"	7,388	20th Jan.	do.
"TAKADA"	8,949	28th Jan.	do.
"MIRAZPORE"	6,715	29th Jan.	Moji & Kobe.
"MACDONIA"	11,130	1st Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	8,558	6th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'ham.
"TALAMBA"	8,018	6th Feb.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe Y'ham & Osaka.
"KHIVA"	9,135	15th Feb.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TALMA"	10,000	16th Feb.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"MALWA"	10,980	1st Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NAGPORE"	5,283	4th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"LAHORE"	16,038	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
"KHYBER"	9,114	15th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"NADDERA"	18,688	22nd Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KARALA"	9,123	22nd Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MANTUA"	10,948	29th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	9th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
"JEYPORE"	5,314	11th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	8,886	12th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,953	20th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"TANDA"	8,558	27th Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
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